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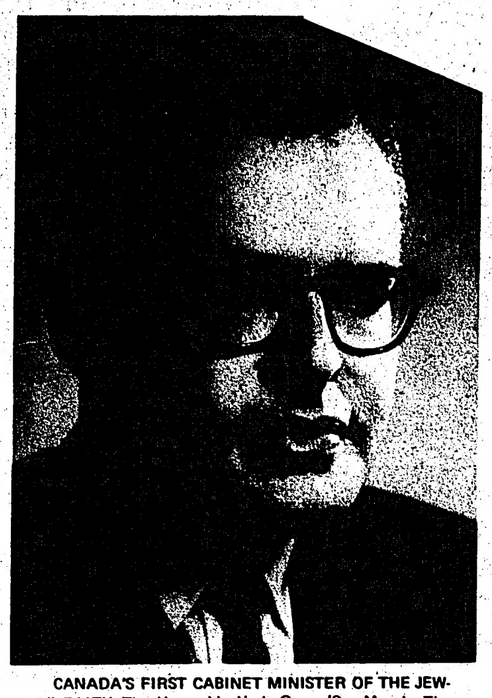

CANADA'S FIRST CABINET MINISTER OF THE JEWISH FAITH.-The Honorable Herb Gray. (See Man In The News, page four)

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

THE AQSA AXIS

The Reverend Ernest E. Long, secretary of Canada's General Council of the United Church, has recently contributed to what Arab propagandists call "the promotion of Arab-Canadian understanding."

The *Arab-Canada* bulletin, published by the Arab Information Center in Ottawa, prominently features a letter from Dr. Long in which he discusses "the regression of the State of Israel in the Middle East", in connection with the Al Aqsa arson.

In his sanctimonious statement this pious Christian leader also attempts to teach us not only what he believes to be the religious truth, but issues an Epistle to the Hebrews about their faith and their religious loyalties. As if this were not impudent enough, Mr. Long then goes on to "deplore the fact that Jewish people everywhere seem to identify the preservation of the State of Israel with the preservation of the Jewish religion."

On another occasion, I pointed out that some Christian leaders of the old school still seem dedicated to the orthodox image of the New Testament Jew. And what does the New Testament offer the Jew: paradise after death—of course, if he atones for his "sins",—but no place to live in this world. *This* world is for others, not for the Jew. Thus, the conflict between inquisitional Christianity, and the new Christianity, personified by the late Pope John, becomes evident. I am horrified by Dr. Long's support of such libelous Arab propaganda tricks as the malicious suggestion that the Israelis are responsible for the arson which damaged a part of the Al Aqsa mosque. Such misleading pseudo-Christian teachings definitely revive antisemitism.

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Dr. Long knows well that this insinuation is as false as the infamous libel that Jews use Christian blood for baking Passover matza. Of course, to us in our enlightened era, it seems ridiculous to even mention such outrageous concoctions. But Dr. Long knows how many thousands and thousands of people were slaughtered because of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion and similar falsifications of facts, of which the Al Aqsa canard is a vivid example.

Many Jews will suffer in Moslem lands because of the hysterical propaganda disseminated among ignorant peasants that Jews burned the Al Aqsa mosque. And the Dr. Longs will be quoted as proof.

Now there is a new propaganda line emanating from Cairo: that the United States is sending pilots to Israel to fight Arabs. Of course, the State Department has denied this. Long and I know it is ridiculous, but will the fellahin believe the truth, or will they become aroused by the new wave of hatred from Radio Cairo, directed against the United States by such Christian regimes as Moscow and Peking?

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I could ask Mr. Long or his friends what they were doing when close to a hundred synagogues were destroyed by King Hussein's regime during his illegal, anti-United Nations *occupation* of the City of David, in the years 1949 to 1967. Also, I could continue asking him what the churches did to prevent the massacre of the Six Million. Or, has he forgotten that in Hitler's Germany all the churches were open,—always on Sunday.

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It is sickening to read from the pen of a religious leader statements supporting a most offensive propaganda line, alleging a Jewish conspiracy to destroy a Moslem shrine. Long and I know that were it not for this *immoral* support given extremist agitators, the harmony between Jews and Arabs in the Old City which started so beautifully in June 1967,—when Jerusalem became reunited,—would continue undisturbed, and the City of David again would become the City of Peace.

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I must return to this conflict of opinion about monuments, churches and memorials. If Dr. Long seeks a lesson in Jewish religious truth, may I point out to him that, to us, one human life is more important than one million church or synagogue edifices. It is the dedication to, and consecration of man, that will remain the fundamental basis of our loyalty: the holiness of human life, Arab and Jew, Hebrew and Christian alike. It is the Biblical concept of the *earth that is given to man,* and *the heaven that belongs to the Lord,* which is still the basis of my faith. Let us talk about peace among men, and all shrines and abodes will become holy because they will be the true spiritual centers of a living humanity.

revoke Washington

RED CHINA ENTERS MIDDLE EAST

Moscow, U.S. can't agree on Israel

DEADLOCK TOTAL

by the CJN diplomatic editor

The most sensational development in the Middle East crisis this week has been the Chinese inspired Albanian attack against the Soviet Union's Arab policy. Albania, which is Peking's outpost in Europe, resumed its attacks against Moscow by accusing the Soviet Union of conspiring with the United States against the Arabs.

An editorial in the official Albanian Communist party daily last Saturday stated that there is an American-Soviet conspiracy to bring the Arab peoples to their knees—and to crush them in order to assure Israel's triumph.

The editorial was broadcast in various languages over the state radio of Tirana, the capital of Albania.

Diplomatic sources in London have interpreted this Albanian outburst and its Chinese origin as a sign to the Arabs that Peking is preparing to enter the Middle East scene.

Government sources in London, however, have discounted the so-called "Soviet-American conspiracy", a Chinese euphemism for a Soviet-American accord on the Middle East.

In fact, sources close to the British government this week revealed for the first time their "fears" that there would be no agreement in the near future between Washington and Moscow on settling the Middle East conflict.

The basic difference in approach between the United States and the Soviet Union is, first, Washington's insistance on postponing the decision on the status of Jerusalem until after an Arab-Israeli agreement. The U.S. also supports direct Arab-Israeli negotiations as the final stage in any talks about the Middle East.

The United States would also seek a pledge from both sides that no guerilla or terrorist activities would be tolerated by any government.

The Soviet Union would not now agree to these demands, although Washington would be willing to support a move asking Israel to withdraw from all occupied territories with the exception of old Jerusalem.

Also, unlike the Russians, the Americans made the point that the whole peace deal does not have to await a full settlement of the refugee problem.

The basic difference, however, remains the form of negotiations: Moscow proposes talks between Israel and the Arabs through the U.N. mediator only; Washington demands that the parties name representatives to meet promptly under the Algis of the U.N. mediator, Dr. Jarring.

The final point of friction between the Americans and Russians seems to be that the United States wants the Arabs to declare immediately an end to the state of war, and to recognize Israel.

Informed sources in London fear that despite the relative tranquility this week there is still a danger of a more serious confrontation between the United States and Russia because of the Middle East.

The new Arab propaganda line from Cairo that Americans are serving in the Israeli army is interpreted in England as a move by Nasser to seek direct Russian military involvement in the conflict against Israel.

The State Department in a mood of anger declared that this "news" is a deliberate provocation of public sentiment against the United States, and will not even be denied through diplomatic channels.

In Jerusalem, Golda Meir, the Israeli premier, declared that the Cairo story about Americans helping Israelis fight the Arabs is for local propaganda consumption. It should convince the Egyptians that they are losing their battles not against Israel, but against America.

All facts

BY URI JACOBSON, CJN staff writer

MONTREAL TROUBLE

This past Sunday evening on the CBC new Weekend program, a group of distinguished guests including Lloyd Robertson, Barbara From, poet Irving Layton, and ABC newscaster Peter Jennings, sat around for an hour and a half of pleasant conversation and discussion. Towards the end of the program the host, Robertson, interrupted his guests to announce that Prime Minister Trudeau had just made a strong appeal to a meeting of the Liberal party in Quebec.

Quebec's Lunatic Fringe

Trudeau had urged English-speaking Quebeckers not to give in to the separatists' drive for independence nor to be cowed by lunatic extremist groups. Our prime minister called upon English-speaking Quebeckers "not to drop out, but to drop in; not to cop out but to compete; not to exit, but to excel."

After the news report about Trudeau's militant address, the CBC guests were invited to comment.

The tenor of the discussion was predictable.

The host, Lloyd Robertson, Mr. Jennings and Miss From exchanged niceties about the Prime Minister's speech, and were for the most part extremely bland in their evaluations.

Enfant Terrible Layton

Alone among the discussants, Irving Layton, the enfant terrible of Canada's literary community, called a spade a spade, and criticized Mr. Trudeau for not getting down to the nitty gritty. Layton argued that it was very nice for the Prime Minister to encourage English-Canadians to compete and to stay within the province of Quebec. This, however, would not lessen the atmosphere of suspicion and nervousness which permeates significant portions of Quebec's non-French Canadian community. "The officials who are concerned," said Layton, "must see to it that those responsible for terrorist bombings, acts of vandalism and destruction -- must be apprehended and brought to justice."

Layton stressed the fact that he sympathized in many ways with the legitimate aspirations of the Quebec separatist movement, notably Rene Levesque's democratic coalition. He felt, however, that people were being naive not to realize that presently in the province of Quebec a small but highly trained band of professional agitators, among whom can be found Castroite Cubans, are attempting to upset the equilibrium of Canada's largest city for their own political ends.

Jewish Neurosis

During his remarks Layton alluded on several occasions to the nervousness of the Jewish community in the province of Quebec -- a nervousness recently augmented by terrorist activities perpetrated in the province by foreign-inspired agitators.

One does not have to exaggerate the problems of the Jewish community in Quebec. It has strong roots in that province going back to the very days of the French conquest. It will not pull up its stakes merely because the lunatic fringe among the separatist groups carry on a campaign of harassment against non-French elements in the province.

However, the introduction of a particularly nasty kind of antisemitic propaganda within the separatist movement is alarming. Nor has this antisemitic element been limited exclusively to the extreme fringe groups.

Bigotry

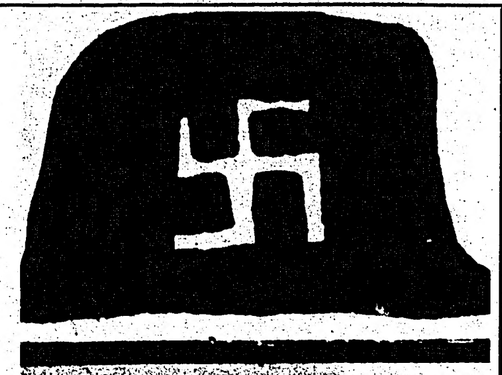
The October 1st edition of QL, the magazine of the students of the University of Montreal, contains a disturbing article and public opinion poll directed against "the Jew" Claude Wagner, former Minister of Justice in the Liberal government.

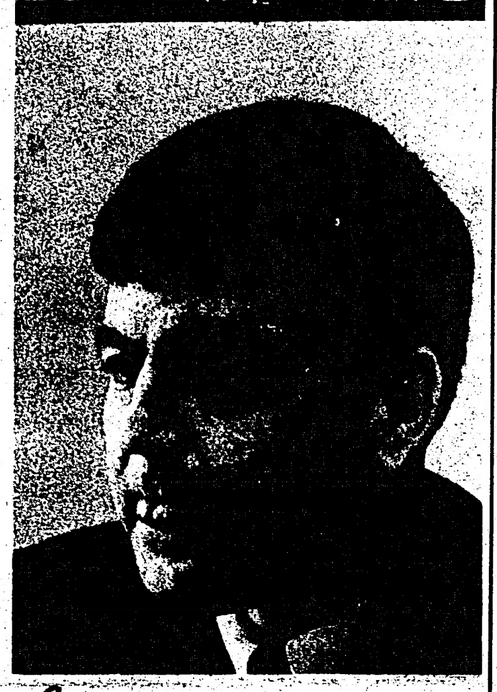
The first comment on Mr. Wagner offered by an anonymous figure, is according to QL: "He is a Jew, a S.O.B., I don't like him. Let him go back to his own country."

It should also be pointed out that this evaluation of Mr. Wagner also was featured on the index page of the magazine.

It would be very easy to dismiss this comment as an inconsequential slight without any real racial overtones. But when one considers that Mr. Wagner is not even Jewish, (although he does have some Jewish blood) then the jibe becomes all the more reminiscent of the kind of racial antagonism which existed in prewar Germany.

While welcoming Mr. Trudeau's plea for English-speaking Canadians to maintain their roots in Quebec, and to persevere in the present struggle, is it not incumbent upon the powers that be to take every conceivable step to ferret out all extremist fringe groups who attempt to exploit the high aims of Quebec's separatist movement in order to further their own political, racial, and religious hatreds?





C'EST UN JUIF, JE L'AIME PAS

CRISIS IN QUEBEC.-Lunatic fringe now launching antisemitic propaganda. Picture above shows Claude Wagner former liberal minister of justice under Swastika Helmet.

ISRAEL ELECTIONS PREVIEW

DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

ISRAEL WILL ELECT NEW PARLIAMENT NEXT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

By Yaacov Rosenthal

A soldier casts her ballot in local government elections

WHEN they came to give their newly-established State a constitutional basis, Israel's founding fathers drew deeply on their central European origins and the experience which had been gained during the pre-State Yishuv. Thus it came about that the laws governing elections to the Knesset and for various types of local authority were, from the beginning, modelled on the statutes regulating the first elections in the Weimar Republic in 1919.

The most distinguishing feature of both the Weimar and Israeli systems is "proportional representation," under which the voter votes for a list of candidates, rather than individual candidates.

Knesset seats are allocated on the basis of the votes cast for the various lists, and the result of this system is that the party make-up of the Knesset automatically and precisely reflects the size of the vote cast for the various parties.

If a particular party receives a third of all valid votes cast, then it will receive 40 Knesset seats out of a total of 120 available; if another receives a tenth of the votes, it will have twelve seats; if a third receives 1 per cent of the total votes, it will be allocated one seat, and its Knesset Member will be a one-man faction.

But to win a seat a party must receive at least 1 per cent of the total votes cast. If it does not then it is as if the people who voted for that particular party had not voted at all. Their votes are then deducted from the total of votes cast, thus reducing the number of votes required to gain Knesset seats by those parties which did not receive more than 1 per cent of the votes.

(In West Germany, 5 per cent is the minimum required. This amounts to more than 1½ million votes, whereas in Israel, it is enough for an electoral list to gain approximately 17,000 votes to be allocated a Knesset seat.)

It will therefore be seen that Israel has no constituency system. The whole country is, in fact, one constituency. Its division into voting regions, each containing several hundred polling stations, is for the convenience of voters and to enable a preliminary count to be made.

Since there are no constituencies, and lists of candidates are compiled by the parties themselves on a centralised national basis, voters, whether they live in Jerusalem or Galilee, whether in settlements in the occupied territories or in Elath, all vote for the same lists.

The voter drops into the ballot box an opaque envelope containing a slip of paper on which is printed one letter or several letters, according to the ruling of the State authority conducting the elections.

He has no say in the composition of the lists of candidates and he is not voting for any particular candidate or candidates. He is voting for a list, and he must accept the composition of the list as decided upon by the various parties or movements.

It is the party "Establishment" which chooses candidates; usually those who will adhere strictly to the party line or those whose inclusion is urged by pressure groups within the party. This applies to all parties in Israel.

However, this system does have its advantages. First, it reduces the pressure from local and city interest groups for legislation specially favouring a particular locality at the expense of another one or the country as a whole. Secondly, the present system does enable candidates who lack charisma or a strong personal following to be included in the lists. This means that people with special knowledge and ability; academics, former members of the judiciary, lawyers, ex-Army officers and so on, can gain Knesset seats on their merit rather than their crowd-pleasing abilities.

Demands for reform

In the case of local elections, the same system prevails. Here, too, the candidates are chosen by the central party organisations.

Since the first Knesset there have been demands by many people for reform of the national and local electoral systems, particularly by the former Premier, Mr David Ben-Gurion.

He wants to adopt the British system, whereby the country would be divided into separate constituencies according to the number of Knesset seats, and each constituency would return one Member of the Knesset.

Candidates would stand as individuals, and a simple majority would be enough to secure a candidate's election. In the event of a Knesset seat falling vacant, a by-election would be held in the constituency affected.

There have been other suggestions, by groups, individuals, Knesset Members and committees of various political parties, but they have all come to naught so far. However, there is nothing to stop their being taken up again after the elections.

A FRIEND BECOMES THE LEADER.- Willy Brandt, anti-Nazi soldier in World War Two and leader of the Social Democrats on Tuesday became Chancellor of West Germany. In picture above, Brandt is shown with Golda Meir, during a happy moment during the Socialist International meeting in London last summer.

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Weekend with Kusevitsky

This coming weekend, Saturday evening October 25th and Sunday, October 26th, will mark an historic date in one of Montreal's leading congregations, the Beth Hamedrash Hagadol Tifereth Israel. The synagogue has succeeded in obtaining for this occasion the services of David Kusevitsky, known as "the greatest cantor in the world."

The program of this unusual weekend includes:

The dedication of the memorial to the martyrs of the Holocaust on Sunday morning following a communal breakfast scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

The memorial service will start at exactly 11, at which time Cantor David Kusevitsky will chant the memorial prayer.

The assembly will be held at the main sanctuary.

Among the speakers will be Monroe Abbey, Q.C., national president of the Canadian Jewish Congress; Rabbi Hirschbloom; and Milton Klein, Q.C., former Member of Parliament.

Mr. Klein is the coauthor of the famous bill to outlaw racial hate propaganda in Canada. He will discuss the lessons of the Holocaust.

The dedication of the memorial to the Six Million in the congregation's sanctuary will fill a void long felt by the community.

The memorial will be dedicated by the Kuperstok family and by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Milner.

The historic weekend at the congregation will start Saturday night with a concert of liturgical music by Cantor David Kusevitsky. It will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m.

President of the Beth Hamedrash Hagadol is Mr. Ben Milner; Rabbi Lester Rosner is spiritual leader.

TO PARTICIPATE IN MARTYR'S MONUMENT UNVEILING.-Ben Milner (right), and Mrs. Milner, shown at the Cemetery Ground of Beth Hamedrash Hagadol during the consecration of the Kedoshim Monument, in memory of their parents Moishe Chaim and Rivka Ita Mlynarzewzki, and Godel and Rivka Fiedler.

SYNAGOGUE SCHOOL

RABBI LESTER ROSNER

The Beth Hamedrash Hagadol Tifereth Israel Congregation located on MacKenzie Street was organized 18 years ago; its membership today numbers 600 families. Congregational activities include an adult education program, a Sunday breakfast club, monthly programs as Jewish Book Month, Music Month, etc. Plans are under way for the building of a library in the Synagogue building to be known as the Lola Grynwald Library and Conference Room.

Rabbi Lester Rosner founder and principal of The Anna and Paul Dichter Hebrew Academy heads a unique Hebrew afternoon school. Now in its fifth year the Academy's first graduating class will take place in November. Two years ago the Congregation put up a new wing adjacent to the Synagogue to house the Academy. The students numbering over 100 from ages 6 to 13 attend classes from 4 until 6 each weekday.

The latest educational tools are used in order to teach Judaism at the Academy and, although such tools are available in secular study programs they are rather unique when applied to Judaic studies. Audio-visual methods are used extensively; teachers at the Academy prepare the transparencies themselves. The Academy is the only School throughout Canada to both prepare and utilize its own visual aid program in such fields as Bible, Hebrew, Jewish History, laws and customs and Jewish literature. By this unique method the children are taught at a far more rapid rate - an important factor in afternoon school where time is so limited.

One of the problems which Rabbi Rosner hopes to combat in his program is the juvenile approach to Judaism which is held by so many graduates of Hebrew afternoon schools.

The Academy in its attempt to solve this very real problem tries to teach Judaism by 'telling it as it is'. Whether the child is able to grasp the concepts right at the moment is unimportant. In discussing Bible for example, they do not reduce the concepts to a child's level; rather the child is told that it is not known how the world was created. The aim is to give the child a realistic outlook which in later years they will comprehend fuller rather than reject totally as often happens to university students.

Rabbi Rosner considers the experiencing of Judaism as an important factor in the child's overall educational program. In this regard Shabatons are held and the children spend the entire Shabbat period in the Synagogue -- from Friday evening to Saturday night. They are taken on outings often -- to kosher slaughter houses, to supermarkets where they learn how to buy kosher items, to the Library, etc. This positive approach leaves the child with the understanding that the only time you can judge right and wrong is when you understand -- as applied to Judaism before you can judge its value you must know it. Thus the Academy encourages its students to search and learn before making a decision on the acceptance or rejection of Judaic principles.

Rabbi Rosner feels that the Synagogue must play a part in projecting an image of Judaism which will be meaningful to the university student and thus by inculcating in children a foundation of Judaism (as in the Academy's program) it is felt that he will be able to cope with those elements in university life that tend to destroy religious beliefs.

Both Rabbi Rosner and his Congregation are 'chalutzim' in this endeavour. It is their strong desire that the community at large will accept these new ideas and invest both morally and financially in spreading them throughout the Jewish educational system in Montreal. At this time both the Rabbi and his Congregation are participating in an exciting and dynamic pilot project in Jewish education with the view toward spreading their ideas to the community at large so that its youth will not be short-changed.

MONTREAL OBITUARIES

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MONTREAL NOTES

LECTURE

Last Sunday the Jewish General Hospital held a Man On The Moon Generation series. It formed part of the program for adult creative education of the Golden Age Association. Speaker was Alan Rose and topic was Israel, Today and Tomorrow.

TEA

Tuesday Beth Israel Sisterhood held a book review: The Street, by Mordecai Richler. Rabbi Irving Rosner discussed it.

MEET

On Wednesday the Laurentian Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, held a meeting. Theo Waddington spoke on Abstract Art.

ANNUAL TEA

Montreal Hadassah-WIZO held its annual tea last Tuesday evening.

ART AUCTION

Herman Abramowitz Chapter, Haddassah, will exhibit art next month.

GENERAL MEET

On Wednesday, Shalom Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, held a general meeting. Dr. Ralph Bilcfsky spoke. A film was shown: Life Line To Tomorrow; courtesy Kidney Foundation of Canada.

BALL

Alliance Israelite Universelle will tender its annual ball on November 22nd.

MEMBERSHIP TEA

Last Sunday afternoon the Council of Units, Jewish Hospital of Hope, held a membership tea. Conveners were Mesdames Israel Kanofsky, E. Wohl, F. Jacobson, S. Cohen.

TEACH-IN

The Hillel Student Society at McGill and the Canadian Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry held a teach-in here on October 19th and 20th. The following took part in the discussions: Yiddish writer Ben Zion Goldberg; Dr. William Korey, director of the United Nations Office of B'nai B'rith and Rabbi Bernard Poupko, of Pittsburgh.

APPOINTED BY AJCS

Allied Jewish Community Services, the 51-year-old planning and budgeting body for 19 health and welfare agencies in Montreal, has amended its constitution to ensure that its top executive will always include a woman vice president.

Following amendment of the constitution, Mrs. Irvin S. Gertsman, president of the Women's Federation of AJCS was chosen to fill the newly-created fifth vice presidency.

The community services organization had one woman vice president previously, the late Mrs. Julius Block, but at that time there was no provision setting aside a place in the top executive of the organization specifically for a representative of women members.

BRONFMAN LECTURES

Philosopher Dr. Eliezer Berkovits delivered the 1969 Allan Bronfman Lectures at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, Westmount, Monday and Tuesday evening, October 13th and 14th at 8:30 p.m. Dr. Berkovits is head of the Department of Jewish philosophy at the Hebrew Theological College in Skokie, Illinois on philosophicial and theological problems.

The Allan Bronfman Lectureship was established by Mr. Allan Bronfman in 1964 for the purpose of bringing to Montreal some of the leading figures in the world of Jewish scholarship.

TRADITION OF CHARITY

A tradition of charity almost 60 centuries old finds its 1969 form of expression here in Montreal starting October 20th with the launching of this year's Combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund.

At home, the bulk of the funds collected goes to aid immigrants, youth and the aged.

Overseas, the Appeal aids Iron Curtain Jews escaping antisemitism in Eastern European countries, thousands of Jews fleeing hostility in Arab countries (97% of the Jews in Arab countries now have left; almost all the rest are barred from leaving) and various health and welfare projects in Israel.

Morley M. Cohen, Chairman of the '69 Appeal, regards the educational process as "vital to the success of the campaign.

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TORONTO SYNAGOGUES AND ORGANIZATIONS

SPOKE

Last Sunday morning Brotherhood of Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue had as its guest speaker Samuel Shafir, director, Jewish Agency in Canada. His topic: The Latest Developments in Israel.

STAG

Wednesday night Brotherhood of Shaarei Tefillah held a "helping hand" stag.

MUSICAL

The Beth Am Players are presenting a new musical, Laughing Out, on the weekend of November 1st and 2nd. Cast includes Dorothy Rosner, Marshall Perlmuter, Corky Rosen, Sam Federman, Ann Mirsky, David Landman, Rose Pollock, Al Federman, Esther Kates.

PTA MEET

A PTA meeting of the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto was held last Tuesday, at which time a number of pledge cards were distributed for the building campaign of the Finch Avenue School.

BETH EMETH BAIS YEHUDA

A luncheon study group to meet once every two weeks, held its first session at the office of Mike Feldman, synagogue president on October 23rd.

HOLY BLOSSOM

A new study course on Thursday mornings, conducted by Rabbi Michael Stroh. Sessions will deal with modern films. On October 23rd the film group discussed La Dolce Vita.

HISTADRUT

The annual conference of the Israel Histadrut Campaign and the United Organizations for Histadrut in Toronto, which takes place on November 23rd, will mark the beginning of the Golden Jubilee Year of Histadrut in Israel. It is half a century now that Histadrut, the General Federation of Labor in Israel, came into being.

A series of events and celebrations marking this important date in Israel's history will be announced at the Conference. Prominent representatives from Israel will participate in this Conference to bring local members up to date on the most urgent needs facing the Medina today, in which Histadrut is playing a leading role by providing the necessary services.

ISRAEL BONDS

Advance receptions were hosted for dinner honoree Jouis L. Fenkell, Jack Marker on October 14th, Morris King on October 15th, and Alex Cooper on October 21st. Mr. Ben Biderman was host at a reception for Eglinton Lodge members and friends on October 9th.

On Sunday, October 19th, Achdut HaAvoda Poale Zion and Borochov Movement tendered a gala dinner in Mr. Ben A. Himel's honor at Borochov Center. Mr. Himel hosted an advance reception on behalf of Israel Bonds at his home on October 8th which set a solid base of support for the target figure.

Col. Immanuel Shakked will be in Toronto shortly to address several important coming events for the 1969 Israel Bond Campaign. On Thursday, October 23rd he was guest speaker at the dessert luncheon tendered by Mrs. Irving Posluns at her home in honor of Mrs. Ben Walker, Hadassah honoree. That evening Col. Shakked attended the cocktail reception hosted by Sol Edell in honor of Clanton Park Synagogue's Tribute Dinner honoree, Dr. Norman W. Shaul.

David Anisman, past president of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation will be the honoree for his synagogue at a Tribute Dinner to be held on November 14th in cooperation with State of Israel Bonds. Mr. Irving Borenstein is Israel Bond Chairman for Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation.

BOROCHOV SCHOOL

Tomorrow and Sunday, The Borochov School of Toronto will present the "Shtetl Wedding" - performed by the Yiddish Drama Association of the Montreal Jewish Peoples' Schools. The cast of 40 young actors is directed by Dora Wasserman. The play itself is adapted from Itzik Feffer's "Freilachs" by M. Husid, the last Yiddish play to be produced in Moscow before the Kremlin forced its closing.

TORONTO CHAIRMAN OF THE MASSUAH COMMITTEE.-Mr. Alex Grossman who has just left for a three week stay in Israel to consult with the leaders of the Massuah Memorial Project. Mr. Grossman will meet with Gideon Hausner, member of the Knesset and prosecutor at the Eichmann trial, and Moshe Kol, minister of tourism, both of whom are leaders of Massuah in Israel.

During his stay in Israel Mr. Grossman will also confer with officials of Histadrut to discuss Massuah and other new projects. The ceremony for the laying of the cornerstone for the building of the Massuah Memorial is scheduled to take place on Yom Hashoah (Martyrs' Day), May 3rd, 1970. Delegations from many countries are expected to participate in this historic event.

SHAUL FAMILY ALL-OUT FOR ISRAEL BONDS.-Dr. Harvey Shaul was host at reception at his home in honor of his brother Dr. Norman Shaul who will be guest of honor at a dinner being sponsored by Clanton Park Congregation in cooperation with State of Israel Bonds which will take place on Wednesday evening, November 26th. Dr. Shaul is currently serving as Co-Chairman of the Orthodox Division, State of Israel Bonds of Toronto. Shown here are a group conferring with guest speaker Mrs. Judith Beilin on the urgency of Israel's need for loan dollars for economic priorities. Standing, left to right: Phineas Schwartz, who will serve as Dinner Chairman for the Tribute Dinner; Meyer Feldman, President of Clanton Park Congregation; Dr. Norman Shaul, honoree. Seated, left to right: Mrs. Nathan Shaul, mother of the honoree, Mrs. Harvey Shaul, Mrs. Beilin, Mrs. Norman Shaul and Dr. Harvey Shaul.

PLEDGE GREATER EFFORT FOR ASSOCIATED DRIVE

An enthusiastic group of workers, canvassers and donors, at a Dinner Meeting on October 15th pledged to increase their efforts to achieve a successful outcome for the Capital Building Campaign of the Associated Hebrew Schools.

The campaign organization is headed by Oscar Shainhouse as Campaign Chairman, and Joseph Levine, President of Associated, who is Chairman of the Campaign Administrative Committee. A sum of $1,250,000 is sought to build a modern school facility on Finch Ave. which will provide Jewish and general education to hundreds of Jewish youth.

Mr. Shainhouse introduced Rabbi David Monson who delivered a most eloquent address. Rabbi Monson compared Associated to a strong, living, many-branched tree, yielding the choicest fruit for Jewry and Jewishness. He urged all present to overcome all obstacles, and move forward with the utmost determination in the tradition of Associated to provide Jewish learning, Jewish culture for the Jewish youth.

Mr. Joseph Levine, in thanking Rabbi Monson for his ever active cooperation, noted how responsive the community at large was to the appeal of Associated. The name of Associated elicited respect among all strata of the community. However, the campaign organization urgently needs more people to involve themselves in the canvass. Only through a joint effort can we assure the success of the campaign. If we falter we will be jeopardizing the future, something we dare not do.

Mr. Nathan Silver said he was heartened by the enthusiastic response of those present, and praised Mr. Levine for his special effort in the campaign.

Sheldon Saltzman and Harry Steiman, two senior students of the High School, showed slides depicting highlights and significant events in the 60 year old history of Associated.

RABBI DAVID MONSON

NATHAN SILVER

COMMUNITY ACADEMY AND ASSOCIATED JUNIOR HIGH GRADUATION NOVEMBER 2ND

A total of 140 students will receive diplomas at the Joint Annual Graduation Exercises of the Associated Hebrew Junior Day High School and the Community Hebrew Academy. The ceremony will take place on the evening of Sunday, November 2nd, in the Auditorium of the main school, 3630 Bathurst Street.

TEN OUT OF SEVENTEEN WIN ONTARIO SCHOLARSHIPS

Seventeen students of the Academy who have completed Grade 13 and are presently attending University, will receive their Grade 13 diplomas. Of the seventeen graduates, ten have won Ontario Government scholarships while three of them have won additional University scholarships.

Thirty-two students, graduates of Grade 12, will receive their Junior matriculation diplomas.

Some 92 students will receive diplomas as graduates of Grade 9 of the Associated Junior High.

Graduates of the Academy have benefited from an intensive Jewish and general education over a period of 13 years. It is worthwhile noting that an increasing number of Jewish High graduates are continuing on the Senior High level.

Mr. Harold L. Dessen, C.A., Chairman, Board of Education of Associated, will preside over the graduation of the Junior High. Mr. Samuel J. Sable, President of the Academy, will preside at the graduation of the Academy. Greetings will be extended by Mr. Joseph Levine, President of Associated, and Rabbi Irwin Witty, Executive Director, Board of Jewish Education.

JOSEPH LEVINE

OSCAR SHAINHOUSE

The Community Hebrew Academy is sponsored by the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto.

Graduation ceremonies are open to the public.

COCHAIRMAN OF DRIVE.-Mr. Joseph Tanenbaum, renowned Jewish philanthropist and industrialist, is the Associate Campaign Chairman, together with Mr. Louis L. Lockshin for the Ner Israel 10th Annual Banquet, celebrating a decade of service to the Jewish community. Mr. Tanenbaum and Mr. Lockshin are spearheading the drive for $250,000 to meet the current needs of the running budget, for Ner Israel, Canada's largest institution of higher Jewish studies.

BOND APPEAL INCREASE

As a result of a new tabulation of Israel Bond commitments made at the recent High Holy Day Appeals at Beth Lida (Forest Hill) Congregation, a most significant increase has been recorded by members of this outstanding congregation for this year compared to the 1968 total. As of this date, with new commitments being added daily, an increase of 21% has been achieved, rather than the decrease of 31% which had been announced previously. Under the leadership of President David Green, Beth Lida has set an inspiring example of dedication to Israel's economic progress through their steadfast support of the Israel Bond campaign.

PROMINENT WORLD PERSONALITIES PARTICIPATE IN TORONTO ISRAEL BOND EFFORT

In the coming weeks, Toronto Jewry will have an opportunity to meet and hear a number of foremost leaders on the world scene who will be coming here to participate in special events on behalf of the 1969 State of Israel Bond Campaign.

On Tuesday evening, October 28th, at the home of Herb Green, the first advance Cocktail Reception in conjunction with the Construction Division Dinner honoring Alex Rubin and Harry Rubin will bring together a large group of members of the industry, and friends who will be privileged to hear Immanuel Shakked, great hero of Israel's Six Day War as guest speaker of the evening.

The second in the series of advance receptions for the "First International Dinner" saluting the Construction Industry will be hosted by A. Ephraim Diamond at his home on Thursday evening, October 30th. Mr. Diamond is serving as Reception Committee Chairman for the construction dinner, sharing major responsibility with Dinner Chairman George Goldlist, and Tribute Committee Chairman Albert J. Latner. Mr. Ira Hirschmann, outstanding diplomat, financier, author, and corporate consultant will be guest speaker, providing a "facts-behind-the-news" report on Middle East developments as they affect Israel, and her economic situation.

On October 30th, Jack Buchman, honoree for Yorkdale Lodge B'nai B'rith will be host at his home for an advance sales reception at which the distinguished guest speaker will be Mr. Henry Levy, a leading social work administrator who played a vital role in the rescue and rehabilitation of Jewish survivors in Europe after World War II. Mr. Levy was a member of the first group of representatives of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee to enter areas formerly occupied by the Nazis. After aiding occupants of Displaced Persons camps, he became the JDC's Director in Bulgaria, and later filled the same post in Czechoslovakia.

On Sunday, November 2nd Toronto Women's ORT will honor Mrs. Alex G. Climans at a Tribute evening to be held at the Golden Doors of Yorkdale. Guest artist of the event will be Miss Tova Ronni, talented Israeli vocalist and dramatic artist. Miss Ronni has appeared widely in the Middle East, Western Europe, South America and the United States, as well as in her native Israel. Members of the Tribute Committee for the ORT event include Mesdames S. Akram, S. Bell, C. Collier, A. Disenhouse, A. Gertsbain, J. Goldstein, H. Lams, A. Levitt, L. Lobe and M. Shiffman.

A Cocktail Reception in honor of Dr. Norman W. Shaul who is being tendered a Tribute Dinner by Clanton Park Congregation, in cooperation with State of Israel Bonds, will take place at the home of Sandor Hofstadter on November 6th, to further increase the impressive total in Israel Bond sales already achieved by this dynamic congregation. Guest Speaker at the Reception will be Dr. Isaac L. Swift, prominent writer, world traveler and lecturer. Born and educated in England, Dr. Swift was ordained a rabbi in Jerusalem, and subsequently served as spiritual leader in Australia and currently in the United States. Intimately acquainted with the political and economic problems of the Middle East, Dr. Swift is uniquely qualified to report on the current Israeli situation.

Shimon Alexandroni

ISRAEL'S ECONOMIC MINISTER TO U.S. AND CANADA AT "FIRST INTERNATIONAL DINNER" FOR CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY, NOVEMBER 5th

Mr. Shimon Alexandroni, Economic Minister of the State of Israel to the United States and Canada, and a renowned authority on his country's program of economic development will make his first official appearance in Toronto on Wednesday evening, November 5th, when he will be a key-note speaker at the forthcoming "First International Dinner" saluting the construction industry, under the sponsorship of the National Honorary Societies of Israel, State of Israel Bonds. Mr. Alexandroni will be sharing the platform with The Hon. Robert K. Andras, Federal Minister Responsible for Housing at this major event which will serve to bring to national prominence and attention the common ties uniting Canada's construction industry with its counterpart in Israel, and the part being played by members of the industry in lending their support to Israel's efforts at nation-building during this time of unrelieved crisis.

Born in Tel Aviv, Mr. Alexandroni served in the Haganah, before Israel became a State, and later in the Israel Defense Forces during the War of Independence and the Six Day War of 1967. One of Israel's leading attorneys, he has represented both Israeli and foreign firms in industry, oil, shipping, banking and international trade. A brilliant and eloquent orator, he is a foremost expert on housing policy and the problems of integrating tens of thousands of new immigrants into Israel's economic structure.

Keen interest throughout the community is being focussed on the November 5th "First International Dinner" which will take place at the Inn on the Park, due to its unique concept, and the key role it will play in mobilizing one million dollars in Israel Bond loan dollars for economic development projects in Israel.

WIDE COMMUNITY GROUPS PARTICIPATE.-

Community involvement and participation in the 1969 Israel Bond Drive has reached record proportions as groups large and small put forth their maximum efforts to mobilize financial aid for Israel, through investment loan dollars.

The newly-inaugurated "Young People's Division" under the chairmanship of Gerald Fenkell has scheduled a series of Cocktail sales receptions at the homes of division members which have already brought forth positive results. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shapiro were hosts at their home on Saturday evening, October 11th for such an event. Mr. and Mrs. Marty Oster will be hosts at their home on Saturday evening, November 1st, for a group of members and friends on behalf of Israel Bonds. Numerous other events will take place between now and the end of the campaign year for young communal leaders to complete a most successful inaugural season.

North York Lodge, B'nai B'rith have scheduled an unusual special event for Israel Bonds at the Isaacs Art Gallery on Sunday evening, November 9th. President Sol Kirshenbaum, Israel Bond Chairman Charles Rich, and committee leaders David Cohen and David Kwinta are spearheading efforts to substantially increase the Lodge participation in the Bond sales program.

Eglinton Lodge B'nai B'rith has had an active advance period of activity prior to the gala Tribute Dinner on Thursday, November 13th at which dedicated Bond leader Louis L. Fenkell will be guest of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Morris King were hosts at their home on October 15th for a reception honoring Mr. Fenkell when the guest speaker was Morris Waxman, over-all Israel Bond [illegible] Toronto B'nai B'rith.

BETH EMETH BAIS YEHUDA ADVANCE RECEPTION POINTS TO RECORD BOND CAMPAIGN.-"It's full-steam ahead for Israel Bonds at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda and judging by the tremendous results at our initial sales event in advance of the Tribute Dinner honoring David Anisman, we look forward to a 100o/o increase for our congregation this year." This is the confident prediction of President Mike Feldman and Bond Chairman Irving Borenstein following the reception tendered at the home of honoree David Anisman on October 16th which attracted a capacity attendance of members and friends. Guest speaker of the evening was Dr. Arieh Plotkin, distinguished political analyst and author. Following this meeting, a series of other advance receptions have been scheduled in honor of Mr. Anisman, including one to be hosted by Barney Barenholtz at his home on Saturday evening, November 8th.

Shown here, left to right, are: (standing) Paul Anisman, Nathan Arback, David Anisman, Barney Barenholtz, Herbert Green, Irving Borenstein, Mike Feldman, Alex Jelinek.

Seated, left to right: Dr. Arieh Plotkin, Mrs. David Anisman, Mrs. Barney Barenholtz.

"MILLION DOLLAR DINNER" AT BETH TZEDEC CONGREGATION WILL BE ADDRESSED BY AMBASSADOR MOSHE ERELL

Moshe Erell

Beth Tzedec Congregation, renowned throughout North America as the "Million Dollar Israel Bond Congregation" for the outstanding record achieved by its membership at the High Holy Day Appeals for Israel Bonds and throughout the campaign, have set their target at a million dollars *in cash* Bond sales prior to November 18th when Hon. President Bert Godfrey will be tendered an impressive Tribute Dinner by the congregation, in recognition of his great leadership on Israel's behalf.

Widespread interest has greeted the announcement that Ambassador Moshe Erell, one of Israel's most eloquent and distinguished diplomats will be present at the Beth Tzedec Tribute Dinner to serve as guest speaker of the evening. Ambassador Erell will fly to Toronto directly from his special duties as a member of Israel's Delegation to the United Nations. He has represented his country with great distinction in various lands including Sweden, the U.S. and Canada, as well as in the capacity of Deputy Director of the Division for Western Europe.

Beth Tzedec Israel Bond Chairman Ralph Milrod heads a large and enthusiastic committee who are directly involved in planning the gala event. Top officers who are participating in the implementation and successful results of the effort include Samuel Posluns, Chairman of the Board, Isadore Levinter, Beth Tzedec President, Nathan D. Hurwich, Co-Chairman of the Synagogue Division, State of Israel Bonds, and prominent Board members.

"With more than $800,000 in Bond subscriptions already recorded by members of Beth Tzedec this year, we are anticipating that we will far exceed our target of one million dollars by the date of the dinner," Ralph Milrod stated. "The keen awareness of our members of the great urgency of providing Israel with cash loan dollars at this time has brought forth an unprecedented flow of cash payments for Bond purchased at the High Holy Days, and with the impetus of the Tribute Dinner honoring Bert Godfrey we confidently look forward to a fully paid-up Bond campaign at Beth Tzedec by November 18th," Mr. Milrod declared.

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HEBREW CALENDAR
Friday, October 24th, 1969. The 12th day of Cheshvan 5730. Sidra: Lech Lecha.
Candlelighting: Toronto 6:02, Montreal 5:48

From hope to despair

RED RIDDLE

The statement made last week in Washington by Kapitsa, Russia's foremost nuclear scientist, did not unfortunately receive any coverage in the Canadian press, although the New York Times gave it front page prominence. It is important to repeat, for the record, that Kapitsa made a sensational proposal: he asked that the United States and the Soviet Union "converge", or merge, in order to prevent an atomic confrontation.

The Soviet scientist had the courage to admit that then the Soviet Union would become more democratic. "If such a situation should arise, he declared", the United States might enter a new era of "Socialism", i.e. stricter government control over industry and business.

While this sensational and almost unbelievable appeal was issued publicly in Washington, another Soviet cultural leader, Yessen N. Zassoursky, the dean of Moscow's School of Journalism, in typical Communist fashion caricatured American journalism by comparing it with the Soviet "press".

Zassoursky told a graduate class at Stanford University that the American press is not free to criticize the establishment, just as the Soviet press is not free to attack the political system of the U.S.S.R.

Of course, Mr. Zassoursky could have picked up on the same day, any American newspaper and read criticism of the Viet Nam war as well as reports on demonstrations against the U.S. presence in Asia.

When and where did a Soviet newspaper dare attack the party line, or government foreign policy?

Does Mr. Zassoursky really think that we, in the free world, are so naive as to believe that there is no opposition in the Soviet Union to the Soviet policy in the Middle East, for example, or against the rape of Czechoslovakia?

It is not a fact that Litvinoff's grandson is in prison because of dissent?

Which Soviet newspaper reported this new terror against "the unbelievers"?

Opposition to the regime was never reported under Stalin. And we are still waiting for the first Russian newspaper to tell us what the people of the Soviet Union really think of the excesses committed of government.

Thus, while Kapitsa brings to us a message of hope, Zassoursky catapults us back into despair. A comparison between the free press of the West and the Communist party bulletins is a symptom of *Stalinism—not—yet—dead.*

Man in the news

ENTER HERB GRAY

For the first time in the history of Canada a professing Jew has become a federal cabinet minister. He is Herb Gray, 39 year old son of immigrants.

According to an announcement by Prime Minister Pierre Elliot Trudeau last week, Mr. Gray will be a minister without portfolio in the government of Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Gray and the Governor of the Bank of Canada, Mr. Louis Rasminsky, are now the highest ranking officials of the Jewish faith serving this country. Mr. Rasminsky, a Torontonian, was appointed to his present post by the former Prime Minister, John G. Diefenbaker.

Mr. Gray is a member of the Windsor B'nai B'rith, and worships at the traditional Shaar Hashomayim synagogue. His wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sholzberg of Montreal.

Canada's first Jewish Cabinet Minister was educated at Windsor's Victoria School and Kennedy Collegiate. He graduated from the School of Commerce of McGill University and the Osgoode Hall Law School in Toronto.

In his announcement about Mr. Gray's appointment, the Prime Minister's office stated that Mr. Gray, who began his term as cabinet minister on Monday, October 20th, will carry out his work in association with the Minister of Finance.

Mr. Gray, despite his youth has behind him a distinguished public career.

In 1968 and 1969, Mr. Gray served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance. In this capacity, he was responsible for piloting through the House of Commons such measures as the amendments to the customs legislation arising out of the Kennedy Round, the new anti-dumping legislation, the legislation to permit Canada to take part in the SDR scheme of international monetary reserves, the CNR Finance and Guarantee Bill, and the Bill to amend the Cooperative Societies Act.

From 1966 to 1968, Mr. Gray served as chairman of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs. During his chairmanship the Committee dealt with such matters as the decennial revision of the Bank Act and the Kennedy Round Tariff Changes. In previous parliaments he also served on a number of other committees including Labor and Employment, and Housing and Urban Affairs, and continues his interest in these fields.

Mr. Gray served as observer for the Canadian Government at the Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor of the OAS in 1963. In that year, he was also vice-chairman of the Canadian Delegation to the NATO Parliamentarians Conference where he served on its Economic Committee. He was a member of the Canadian Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Inter-Parliamentary Conference in 1967 and of the Canadian Delegation to the meeting of the Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association in 1966, (he is bilingual). Also Mr. Gray served on the Canadian Delegation to the International Monetary Fund and World Bank meetings in 1967 and 1969.

A Liberal, he was first elected to Parliament on June 18, 1962, in his initial attempt at gaining public office. He was reelected April 8, 1963, November 8, 1965 and June 25, 1968, on each of these occasions receiving more than 54 percent of the total votes cast.

Queen's Park

HUMAN RIGHTS

BY BEN GAILOR

This past week James Renwick an NDP member of the provincial legislature, asked Dalton Bales, the minister of labor what had been the outcome of the recent human rights hearing on the charge that the Toronto Granite Club discriminates against Jews. Mr. Bales replied that at the hearing, J.D. Murray, President of the Granite Club, and D. Steeles, acting council for the club, were present. He added that after a period of general discussion, it was decided that further hearings would have to be held. Mr. Renwick then asked the minister if there had been any concrete evidence of discrimination against Jews by the Granite Club. Bales replied that no proof had been forthcoming to this point. Mr. D.G. Hill, director of the Human Rights Commission, questioned on this matter, also replied that more investigation would be required before it could be established whether there had been a contravention of the act.

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In the matter of Professor George Haggar, who recently accused Canadian universities of succumbing to "Zionist" pressures in not hiring him Mr. D.G. Hill reported this week that the field work and investigations of accusations made by Dr. Haggar are almost completed. When the field man has finished his report it will be presented to the Commission. The Commission, at a full meeting will then determine what course of action is necessary, and respond to the complainant.

ASK THE RABBI

—a JCRS featurette—

How will the Messiah be recognised when he comes?

Maimonides *(Yad, Melakhim 11, 3-4)* warns against the belief that the Messiah will have to prove himself by performing miracles. Rabbi Akiba believed that Bar Kochba was the Messiah but when Bar Kochba was defeated it became evident that he was not. Maimonides rules, therefore, that if a descendant of David is successful in winning Israel back to the Torah it can be assumed that he is the Messiah. If he is further successful in rebuilding the Temple and gathering in "the scattered ones of Israel" it will then be established that he is the Messiah. Others have had a more mystical conception and have argued that the "numinous" quality of the Messiah will be such that no one will possibly fail to recognise him for what he is. In the opinion of many modern Jews, including the present writer, these matters are best left to God. What is really significant in the whole doctrine of the Messiah is that one day God will intervene to prevent His world from surrender to chaos and He will establish His kingdom upon earth. This is only another way of saying that the more helpful emphasis is on the *Messianic age* rather than on a personal Messiah. The idea of the Messianic age is treated in detail in Louis Jacobs's "Principles of the Jewish Faith," chapter 13.

Is Turkish delight kosher?

Questions of this kind can only be answered if the ingredients used are known. There is at least one firm whose Turkish delight contains no trefa but the best thing to do in such cases is to consult a rabbi or make inquiries of the manufacturers of the commodity concerned.

Are mourners during Shiva allowed to eat meat?

It is stated explicitly in the Talmud *(Tanit. 13b)* that mourners are allowed to eat meat and drink wine during shiva. Indeed, from one Talmudic passage *(Nedarim 56a)* it appears that it was held to be meritorious for friends to provide the mourners with meat and wine. This is based on Proverbs *(31, 6-7)*.

Does one have to sit shiva for a step-parent?

Although the duty of honouring parents is extended by the rabbis to step-parents this does not apply to sitting shiva for them. The shiva rite is only observed for the seven nearest natural relatives, namely, father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, husband or wife. However, other mourning observances should be observed for step-parents.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

by Dr. Arnold Ages

Stalin wanted her to hate "Zionists"

ONLY ONE YEAR
by Svetlana Alliluyeva
Translated by
Paul Chavchavdze
Harper & Row 444 pp.

"I looked for words that could express this sensation," writes Stalin's daughter about her religious awakening, "and found it in the Psalms of David. Since then I have known nothing better that expressed the Higher, Eternal Life, immense, filling the whole Universe, to which my small life belonged like a tiny speck of dust."

Not bad for the daughter of the man whose whole adult life was dedicated to the eradication of religion and to the success of Communism!

This autobiography of Svetlana Alliluyeva is a kind of spiritual odyssey about a person who makes a voyage of discovery - and finds a new, more meaningful existence.

Most of the facts about her defection are well known. On December 19, 1966, Stalin's daughter left Moscow to take the remains of her Indian husband back to his native land. During her sojourn in India she slowly came to the realization that she could never return to the oppressive climate of Russia. One day she walked into the American embassy and asked for political asylum.

Through the good offices of the then ambassador Chester Bowles (whose book on India Svetlana had read) she was put on a plane and sent to Switzerland. Her initial reaction to that country was one of depression because the snowy conditions there caused her to think she was back in Russia.

After serious deliberations by American authorities Svetlana Alliluyeva was granted asylum in the United States -- where she lives now in a quiet tree-lined street in Princeton, New Jersey.

Most of the critical opinion expressed to this point has been limited to discussions of Svetlana's relationship to her father and to the horrors of Soviet totalitarianism.

But one significant body of commentary in her book has escaped the notice of most reviewers -- the image of the Jews in Russia, as it emerges from her memoirs.

At Moscow University, where she studied literature and the arts many of Svetlana's friends were Jews. Indeed her first husband Amorosov, was a Jew. "My father was indignant about it and would say about my first husband, 'The Zionists put him over on you.' It was impossible to convince him that this was not so." Svetlana further records that after World War II a strict quota for Jews was instituted in the universities. "To this my father not only gave support," she writes, "he even propagated a good deal of it himself."

"In Soviet Russia, where antisemitism had old roots among the middle classes and the bureaucracy, it now spread throughout the width and breadth of the land with the speed of a pestilential

SVETLANA

plague." One of the victims of this new-old antisemitism was Solomon Mikhoels, the director of the Jewish Theater in Moscow. In her book Svetlana charges that Stalin himself had a direct hand in murdering Mikhoels.

What were the reasons for Stalin's hatred for the Jews? "I understood the great role played by Trotsky in the Party and the Revolution," explains Svetlana. "I could now clearly perceive the origin of his antisemitism. Undoubtedly it had stemmed from the years of struggle for power with Trotsky and his followers, gradually transforming itself from political hatred to racial aversion for all Jews, bar none."

Despite the fact that official Stalinist policy was unfriendly to Jews, the Russian government never hesitated to use Jews when necessary. None were employed within the apparatus of the Central Committee but "when information was required on economics, foreign policy, philosophy then such work was done for that same Central Committee by specialists - Jews. They merely supplied the information; they were never called in to discuss and decide."

The Soviet government's antipathy towards the Jews expressed itself in curious ways, records Svetlana Alliluyeva. In the USSR Charlie Chaplin's films were always popular. Stalin himself was delighted with Modern Times because of the way it caricatured the capitalist assembly line worker. But in the Great Dictator, Chaplin's memorable speech defending the Jews against Nazi calumnies, was never shown in the Soviet Union.

As late as 1966, we are told, Andrei Gromyko vetoed the appointment of an exceptionally gifted Russian diplomat to a foreign posting, because the latter was a Jew.

For years Russia has denied over and over that it discriminates against Jews. Now we have this extraordinary indictment coming from a person who sat with her father at the very center of the regime.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

ABRAHAM'S FAITH

"And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness (Genesis XV 6).

This is indeed a strange and eliptic phrase. Who counted it for righteousness to whom? Did God regard it as righteous on Abraham's part to believe, or did Araham regard it as an integral part of God's righteousness to make him promises of future greatness? Jewish commentators differ. Most of them interpret the words to mean that Abraham's simple faith was itself an act of righteousness; the faith and trust which he displayed were indicative of his personal virtue. Others hold the view that his faith was founded on the conviction that only a righteous God could make such a promise and therefore he would not question it.

The difference may only be one of interpretation, but the basic essentials common to both viewpoints reflect the greatness of Abraham's character. This was a man who could express conviction no matter whether it was based on his own personal virtue or whether it was founded upon faith in the God whom he trusted. A promise had been made which affected the future and he was prepared to have faith in that future even though from his present standpoint there seemed little reason to expect fulfilment. What confidence! What trust! What immeasurable faith!

Indeed such an attitude to life seems vastly different from those assertions so often heard in our generation. Rather than evince faith in the future we hear it said that the future holds no hope; the world is tottering to self-destruction; the spirit of idealism is dying; the advancement of human genius is only hastening the end. This abject pessimism takes its toll of ethical values. There is no point in striving for higher moral values; society is only a jungle. Despair and hopelessness find no place for the higher virtues.

How much has the Abrahamic pattern of life to teach this bewildered generation. There is no more grievous mistake than to cease to trust in God and in his righteousness, for equally by such absence of trust we display our own lack of righteousness. Without faith our sight becomes myopic. We shut out the light of trust and confidence. We grope in the darkness, and of necessity lose our way for lack of direction. If we cease to beleive in the righteousness of God and in His dominion in the world we substitute ourselves as arbiters of the future. Such reliance on ourselves alone and upon no higher being than ourselves must create confusion in the world, for ours is limited power and we possess limited vision. We can only influence the small confined sphere of our activity, but that is insignificant compared with the vast areas which remain unaffected.

Faith, however, gives confidence. It inspires trust; it permits man to step into uncharted zones be they in time or in space. Faith creates a sense of stability; it negates everything which breathes uncertainty. It is synonymous with steadfastness, hence he who possesses it in full measure never fears what the future has in store. He can step forward with assurance and with hope.

This was Abraham's genius. He could accept the promise for the future even though the present offered no material reason for such confidence. By reliance on the righteousness of God, which reflected the measure of his own righteousness, he could look forward to the unfolding pattern of future history. His spiritual legacy is desperately needed in our generation. We require his steadfastness so that we may pass through the uncertainties of today in the confident hope of a better and higher tomorrow.

the lively arts

THEATRE MUSIC FILM
by D. COHN

KEEP SMILING

SLIGHT CHANGE

A small boy was overheard to end his nightly prayer with this request:

"And please, dear Lord, make Cairo the capital of Syria."

"But, dear, why ask for that?" inquired the mother. "Because that's what I put down on my examination paper in school today," explained the youngster.

LET IT ROLL

In a kvutza kindergarten, a small girl was crying and immediately the nurse rushed over, stroking her hair and wiping away her tears. "What are you wiping me for?" wailed the little one. "I'm not done yet!"

LAST ROUNDUP

An eight-year-old girl wrote in a composition assignment: "We get our parents at such an advanced age that it is very hard to change their ways and habits . . ."

DISAPPOINTED

On the day of Chaim Weizmann's birthday, Zvi, aged four, returned home from kindergarten a bit earlier than usual. "Was there a birthday today?" asked Zvi's mother. "Yes, there was," replied the boy, "but Chaim wasn't there."

REASONABLE

In Israel, as everywhere, school children have report card troubles. A small boy who had to spend another year in the second elementary class indignantly told his angry father: "There's nothing wrong with my having to repeat the course. Why, even the teacher is staying down in that class for another year!"

* These days Lee Marvin attends cafes wearing his hair almost to his shoulders.

* Eddie Fisher doesn't waste any time. His newest flame for whom he tossed a birthday party is the Nordic stunner, Yda Hansen, who, he insists, is his true love.

* Mike Burstein, in The Flying Matchmaker, is drugged, bound and dragged to the alter; just like a typical groom.

* Bob Myers, the manager of the New York theater where Jackie Onassis did her judo on Mel Finkelstein, a New York daily newsman, now calls the place the House that Jackie Built. Business has doubled since.

* Bill Loeb has signed Gypsy Rose Lee, ready for a career expansion, with International Management Combine.

* King David, as seen by latter day Israelis, is not quite the traditional biblical figure in A Crown In The Head, a new original Hebrew play by Jacob Shabtai, which is drawing gusts of laughter from audiences. In the play, the king is tired of his crown.

* Shai Opher, Israeli star, is doing a stint on TV in Germany.

* The Rabbi Kook prize for Tora Literature will be presented to Rabbi Baruch Rakover in a ceremony at the Jerusalem Town Hall next Monday evening. Honorary prizes will be awarded to Rabbi Abraham Liss and Rabbi Avraham Yitzhak Bromberg.

* Recently President Shazar, cabinet ministers, supreme court justices, diplomatic corps doyen Ernest Jerome Yancy, the Liberian Ambassador, other diplomats and a capacity audience attended the Artur Rubinstein festival concert at Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'ooma.

The Maestro, who drew tremendous applause, played two concerti, Beethoven Fourth and Saint-Saens' Second. Conductor Zubin Mehta opened with Hatikva, followed by Beethoven's Egmont Overture.

* Alan Jay Lerner, who is rehearsing Coco, says it's "the sexiest show in town! Clothes!"

But his new musical, Lerner said, would not be "one long fashion parade." There will be only one real fashion show in the play -- the finale, displaying Coco Chanel's designs from 1917 to 1970.

Explained Lerner, "Coco is all about people who work in fashion, about the creation of elegance." Specifically, it is about that indomitable woman, Coco Chanel, "an independent woman who refuses to compromise."

The lyricist went on, "Not only did she create the uniform for the emancipated woman, she is, I suppose, the most emancipated woman I've ever met. She doesn't feel any less womanly not being married or not having children."

Starring as Coco will be Katharine Hepburn, playing her first musical role and her first Broadway show in 17 years. Says Lerner, "She's very much like Chanel, architecturally, not physically. In her life, she too has been a very independent woman. An independent woman in every sense of the word. They're both career women, but they've never lost one ounce of femininity. They're intensely feminine women. What was that Chanel said to me? 'There's no future for a woman trying to be a man.'"

Chanel herself is 87, and will be in the audience when it opens in December. People already are asking for tickets. It sounds like a landslide.

An out-of-town tryout for the musical seems unlikely since the cost of production is at least $750,000 with $155,000 of that just for Cecil Beaton's costumes.

Some of Coco's past shows her father and a series of lovers. It "is as big as anything on Broadway since Ziegfeld."

There are 68 members in the cast. Hepburn has been taking singing lessons for months. Every woman and dancer is just chic.

There are 17 songs, one, Turn On The Lights.

* Jill St. John (Oppenheimer) is named in a complaint of hanky-panky for reported attempts to fix criminal cases involving members of the Mafia. There is a reported connivance of public officials in influence peddling and in shady deals with the underworld.

Letters to the Editor

The real Jan Peerce

Dear Editor:

In The Canadian Jewish News (Friday, October 3rd) I read an article, Music Festival, by Peter Gradenwitz: "Highlights were a series of evenings devoted to the music of J.S. Bach. A strange interlude was provided by the noted operatic tenor, Jan Peerce, who seemed far from being at ease in singing sacred cantatas in broken German and insecure style."

I wish to say that Jan Peerce does not sing in broken German. I am sure he studied the German text from the book before singing and also sings it correctly.

True, Peerce expresses himself in song more in Italian than in German, but he does sing in the latter language precisely.

Peerce sang the Schiller poem, An die Freude (Ode to Joy), in the Choral Symphony of Beethoven, with other singers, in a recording by Arturo Toscanini. That proves his correctness.

Only when a singer sings the text accompanied by instrumental music is it difficult to hear the singing properly. But Peerce does not fit into this category.

Andreas Lucas
Rochester, N.Y.

Peters

Dear Editor:

This is an open and direct letter to James Peters of the Arab minority in Canada who wishes to coexist with the Jewish Canadians no matter what happens abroad and therefore, in a recent article, you suggested to fight clean.

Mr. Peters, do you call clean fighting the hijacking of planes and keeping kidnaped prisoners from international flights just because they are Jews? Is your conception of cleanliness the shooting of passenger planes in foreigh airports? The tossing of bombs in a university cafeteria and in shopping plazas and many other such outrageous acts which kill innocent women and children is not fair play.

Why don't you direct your advice to your brethren in the Arab countries to fight clean, or why fight at all when all of Israel and Jewry talk of peace?

Letters of coexistence should be directed to your Arab brothers wherever they are carrying out murder acts.

A. Mandel
Toronto

You publish— So what?

Dear Editor:

So you publish an editorial on Friday, October 10th issue - Canadian Jewish Congress Education Missing - but unfortunately, in my opinion, you might just as well have saved your effort. What good is it without some concrete leadership?

You have the media and in my opinion you fluffed.

Gilbert Greenberg
Ottawa

TORONTO AFTER DARK

COURTROOM DRAMA

Commencing this coming Monday, October 27th, for two weeks, O'Keefe Centre presents the crackling courtroom drama, In The Matter Of J. Robert Oppenheimer, brought by the Repertory Theater of Lincoln Center.

The Oppenheimer play is part of contemporary history. Since its first performance on October 11th, 1964 in Berlin, the provocative drama has fascinated audiences in many countries with its examination of the perplexing issues of society in the nuclear age.

Author Heiner Kipphardt combines the playwright's license with documentary technique to make an absorbing stage production. He attempts to bridge the gap between science, government and humanity in a highly complex world.

Dr. Oppenheimer will be played by Paul Sparer, well known to TV audiences. Also in the cast are Walter Abel, W.B. Brydon, Whitfield Connor, Maury Cooper, Ray Fry, Cec Linder, William Myers, Robert Phalen, Lou Rogers, Frederick Rolf, Tom Rosqui, Frank Schofield, Joseph Schroer, Philip Sterling and Sandor Szabo. Gordon Davidson directs.

ONE WEEK PRODUCTION

Tammy Grimes, the bombshell everybody loves, stars with Brian Bedford in Noel Coward's Private Lives, from Tuesday, October 28th through Sunday, November 2nd at the Royal Alexandra Theater.

A week later, Yiddish "ambassador" Georgie Jessel appears. What a ball that will be!

SUBSCRIPTIONS GOING FAST

With one of the most famous conductors in Toronto, Karel Ancerl of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra promises to sell out Massey Hall. More than 75% of the seats are accounted for. Special concerts will feature Leontyne Price, Seiju Ozawa, Masuko Ushioda, Lois Marshall, Leopole Simoneau and the annual Christmas performances of Handel's Messiah.

CANADIAN PIANIST

Canadian pianist John McKay recently has been appointed to the staff of the Faculty of Music at the University of Toronto. There will be the pleasure of listening to him Thursday evening, October 30th.

VITAL DISCUSSION

This Monday and on November 3rd, Take Thirty, on CBC, will discuss the pros and cons of sex education. Hosts are Adrienne Clarkson and Paul Soles, with Dr. Bette Stephenson and Mary Axten, writer-researcher. The telecasts provide an opportunity for parents to see and hear what is happening in the schools in the area of sex education. Time is 3 p.m.

HOOK AND LADDER

Barbados' top troubadors are back at the Beverly Hills' Hook and Ladder again, bringing with them the sound of Caribeat. Group, which started in 1962, comprises Emil Strake, lead vocal guitar, Robin Hunte, tenor guitar, Chris Gibbs, bass guitar, Stephen Fields, lead guitar, and Robert Foster on drums.

FOR THE KIDS

For another season youngsters from Toronto and outlying vicinity will enjoy weekend plays produced by Susan Rubes. Now at the Colonnade Theater is The Dog and The Stone. And chances are the small fry will compose half of the cast!

AT OLD ANGELO'S.-Colleen Cousins, who has a starring role in the new musical, Get Your Eye Off That Sparrow, at Toronto's Old Angelo's.

ONE OF THE FINEST.-Margo Ann Berdeshevsky as Ophelia in the multiple award winning play, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, the Broadway hit set in a framework of Hamlet. The bill runs through tomorrow night at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theater.

IT HAS BECOME A COMMUNITY TRADITION.-General view of Toronto's Hadassah Bazaar.

COMING TO MASSEY HALL.-Itzhak Perlman, famous Israeli violinst, will appear at Toronto's Massey Hall in January. "...his arrival on the scene may just be the happiest event in fiddling since the generation that produced Heifetz, Oistrakh and Milstein."

RECEIVES DOCTORATE.-Edmond Yehuda Lipsitz, assistant national director of Keren Hatarbut and director of Camp Massad, Montreal, who recently received his doctorate at the Founder's Day Convocation held at McGill University. Dr. Lipsitz graduated with B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees at the University of Western Ontario while serving as principal of B'nai Israel Hebrew School in London (Ontario).

DEBUT

West Berlin (JCNS). - Tel Aviv's Batsheva Dancing Company had a successful debut to its West German tour with its performance in the Theater des Westens here.

GIRL, 24, NEW LEADER

Johannesburg (JCNS). - S. Africa's largest women's organization, the Union of Jewish Women, has appointed a 24 year old girl as national organizer, the youngest ever in this office.

She is Miss Marian Neil, a former reporter with the Zionist Record who became technical editor of its jubilee and Rosh Hashana issues. She was a volunteer in Israel during the Six Day War.

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ANNUAL BALL

The Women's Auxiliary of the New Mount Sinai Hospital is busy with preparations for its annual ball which will take place on Saturday, November 8th, at the Royal York. Theme is Turkey; door prize will be a return trip to Istanbul.

Patrons committee include Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kelner, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Liswood and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Latner. Mesdames Jack Fine and Martin Richman are cochairmen of the ball. Their assistants are Mesdames Mel Glass, decor, Haskell Masters, dinner arrangements, D. Greisdorf, M. Goldhar.

SPEAKER

Dr. Nathan B. Epstein will be presented by the Women's Auxiliary of New Mount Sinai Hospital as speaker on November 12th at Holy Blossom. Dr. Epstein is professor and chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at McMaster University. Topic is To Care Is To Grow.

HONORED

Life members, new members and new clubs were honored by Pioneer Women of Toronto at a special membership reception last Wednesday, October 22nd. Guest speaker was Rabbi Irwin E. Witty. Topic is Our Jewish Life -- Perspectives And Prospects. Rabbi Witty is director, Board of Jewish Education, Toronto.

Sponsors of new members will be eligible for a free trip to Israel. Final winner will be drawn at the Pioneer Women 2nd National Convention at the Royal York, November 2nd through 4th.

NEW NAME

Last Sunday was an important day at the Baycrest Center for Geriatric Care when the auditorium officially was named, The Abe Posluns Auditorium, in honor of Abe Posluns.

Mr. Posluns has served Baycrest for more than 25 years. Under his leadership the center has grown to become a leader on the North American continent in the field of geriatrics.

ADATH ISRAEL

The Sisterhood will celebrate its 20th anniversary with a Tea At The Fair to be held in the Alex Tobias Banquet Hall on Sunday, November 2nd. A fashion show coordinated by Dorothy Silverberg will be presented along with a skit called Fun At The Fair with Doris Abbot, Evelyn Pollock and the Sisterhood Players.

HEBREW WESTON

The Hebrew Weston Charitable Services has been involved in various charitable endeavors for the last 46 years. In addition to serving the Jewish patients at the Weston Sanitorium, members of this organization have now been working for four consecutive years in providing financial assistance to the Kosher Meals On Wheels Program. This much needed service enables elderly Jewish persons who are confined to their homes, to receive a hot kosher meal on a regular basis. The Weston Services group provides help for tuberculosis in Israel as well.

The funds used to support these various charitable activities are all raised at one major fund-raising event, the Annual Tea, to be held this year at the home of Mrs. Mac Citron, 55 Old Park Rd., on Sunday, October 26th.

YESODEI HATORAH

The Sisterhood of Yeshiva Yesodei Hatorah are holding their Annual Tea on Sunday, October 26th from 2 to 6 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Albert Reichmann, 29 Glen Cedar Road, Toronto.

HOLY BLOSSOM

Dr. Merrijoy Kelner, Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Toronto, and author of a controversial study of Toronto's Establishment, spoke at the Sisterhood on Tuesday.

BETH EMETH
BAIS YEHUDA

The next meeting of the Sisterhood will be on Monday, October 27th when Joanne Ruderfer will compare three best sellers Heaven Help Us, Goodbye Columbus and Portnoy's Complaint.

NER ISRAEL

The Ner Israel Women's Auxiliary held its opening meeting recently in the newly decorated board room of the Yeshiva, 625 Finch Ave. West.

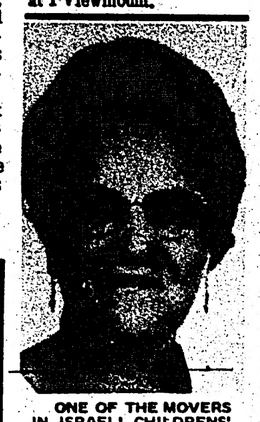
New members were introduced by President, Mrs. H. Botnick. "Divrei Torah" were delivered by Rebitzen Y. Weinberg. Program chairman, Mrs. S. Frankel, introduced the executive and the committee chairman.

A report was heard from Mrs. Mann, the Israeli Draw chairman. The winning ticket of a trip to Israel will be drawn in January.

Mrs. Anisfeld will head committee for the Malave Malke to be held Dec. 6th.

Cake was served from the Bris of Rebitzen Weinberg's grandson enabling those present to partake from the "Seudas Mitzvah."

The next meeting will be held November 26th at 8:30 at 1 Viewmount.



ONE OF THE MOVERS IN ISRAELI CHILDRENS' VILLAGE.- Mrs. J. Slovin, president of The Daughters of Israel Charity Society, who along with Mrs. I. Chapnick, Rose Landsberg and Mrs. Slater, were instrumental in gathering funds for the creation of a childrens' home at kibbutz Maaleh Hachamishah. During the Six Day War this kibbutz came under heavy attack by the Jordanians but its defenders managed to drive off a superior force. Today the kibbutz is one of the most popular vacation spots in Israel.

ALL-ISRAEL FASHION FESTIVAL IN THE WOMEN'S DIVISION SPOTLIGHT.-An annual event that attracts hundreds of women purchasers of Israel Bonds is the "All-Israel Fashion Festival Luncheon" sponsored by the Women's Division as the climax event of its calendar of activities. The luncheon will take place at the Inn on the Park on Thursday, November 27th, and this year's glittering display of creations by Israel's top designers promises to out-do in glamor all previous presentations. Admission to the festive occasion is by the purchase of a minimum of $250 in Israel Bonds by a woman. Mrs. Gabriel Alter, Chairman of the Women's Division, will serve as luncheon chairman, and heads a committee representing all participating organizations in the women's division.

HUMAN RELATIONS

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I feel my room is the only place where I can have my privacy and feel totally at ease. Anyone sitting in the living room would be disturbed by family conversations, my two noisy younger brothers, a grandmother who lives in the building, neighbors dropping in and the frequent fights between my father and mother. I also have my record player and radio in my room.

When I asked my mother if she thought I was using my room as a place to have sexual relations, she replied "no"! Her excuse that "it doesn't look nice" leaves me with doubts as to what she is really thinking about this situation.

My friends all entertain males in their rooms. I think even a discussion of this is ridiculous nonsense since I see nothing wrong in what I'm doing.

ANSWER: The need for both privacy and respect for one's privacy on the part of members of the family reaches its peak in the late teen years.

The young person wants to be alone with her wishes and desires. In thinking and fantasying about them, she learns how to control them. Also, she wants any communication she may have with a girl friend or a boy friend to be her own business. She does not want any family comments on what she says, or any advice as to what she should say or do. The intrusion of parents is seen as a lack of confidence in the young person who must still be supervised so that she will not get into trouble.

While there is certainly nothing morally wrong in entertaining a date in one's bedroom, it is unusual and is sometimes more than slightly embarrassing to the date.

Actually, for youngsters who want to misbehave, there is no set time or place. However, having a boy in one's bedroom naturally arouses certain kinds of thoughts and fantasies in him. He is exposed to stimulation, which he knows he should not or cannot satisfy. Then, out of frustration and anger, he may either reject the girl, or insist that she go further and give more than he would otherwise expect or demand. Too, taking a date into one's bedroom and closing the door to keep out the noise of family fights, speaks more loudly than any yelling could do about the poor relationship the girl has with her parents.

Your mother's objection to your entertaining your dates in your bedroom is more reasonable than the arguments you give. Actually, a closed door does not necessarily keep out the noise of fights or heated conversations in the other rooms.

Young adolescents who want extra privileges and freedoms often use the argument that their friends have been granted these privileges. They say they are made to feel different and inferior in not being granted what all others get. But this is not an appropriate argument for a girl your age. Even more, it says that you yourself aren't too sure that this kind of entertaining is in good taste. So, it may be that you are trying to convince yourself more than your parents.

At this stage in your life you should be able to sit down with your mother, or with both of your parents, and tell them that their fights are very disturbing to you and could be harmful to their two sons growing to manhood. If they must fight, it should be done in the privacy of their own room.

Once you have gotten this out of your system and an improvement in the home atmosphere is achieved, the need to retaliate by making your parents unhappy or uncomfortable will naturally become less and less.

But the need for a place where you can have friends over all to yourself, without intrusions by the family or their friends, may still exist. Perhaps this can be remedied by converting your bedroom into a den-sitting room. If your parents cannot afford to pay for this change, you might get either a summer job or a part-time job during the year, and earn enough money to pay for it.

This kind of responsible behavior will evoke the respect of your parents for you and your wishes, and will also provide the privacy to which you are entitled.

OUR NEWEST MEMBER

by Ruthie

How anyone can go wild over a brand new baby is beyond me. Of course, that doesn't include the grandparents who are ecstatic over nothing at all.

I mean people like me -- a cousin, an aunt, anything. Naturally that too excludes you if you're the new mama.

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I remember when my eldest was born. Gosh, I really thought her hopeless. She looked just like a shriveled, old uncle of mine. Yet to me she was beautiful.

Another baby had the most gorgeous big black eyes you ever saw. Naturally I was prejudiced. Heather was a ravishing redhead. What happened as she grew up I'll never be able to fathom out. But my most beautiful was Freddie. Though he had no hair to talk about; he makes up for it now.

You forget the crazy things you do. I remember how we sat at the crib counting over and over to make sure there were ten fingers and ten toes. And when the baby squealed! Everybody ran to warm up the bottle.

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But recently I was on the outer rim. A relative became a grandparent. Nu, so crazy I don't think I ever saw anyone.

First of all, he actually insists the wee one smiles at him. Nu, at three weeks can he? But the new mama is smart. She won't let on that the smile is really a burp. And a gezoonta (healthy) burp it can really be.

So what do you do? Say to gramps, "He's burping, he doesn't even know you're around."? Nu, you let grandpa think there's a special affinity between him and the new nayfeshl (infant).

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Thing is, babies grow up, thank God. And in the process how many times did I see Mama kiss every toenail, the little tummy -- whatever smelled nice. And baby cooed.

But then came the day. And all I could hear was complaints.

"I gave birth to normal children and look what happened. Tight shoes it needs. It would be a shame to wear, God forbid, the right size. So what have you? Bunions.

"And why can't you walk straight? Grode glidder (straight bones) I brought into this world. So now it's mod to walk like a hippie. Dus butt mir gefelt (this I was missing).

"And when you were small, you used an adverb where there was supposed to be an adverb and an adjective where there was supposed to be an adjective.

"What happens now? Ixnay, shmixnay -- when you talk to your friends I'm not supposed to understand. After all, I'm only your mother."

Then: "Some of these days . . ." she yodels.

Nu, you could live if they only let you.

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ADMIRES HANDICRAFT.-Convention chairman, Ruth Wolfish (left), admires a hand embroidered flag created by Toronto Pioneer Woman, Mrs. Jack Lepofsky, which will be part of the opening ceremonies at Pioneer Women of Canada's Convention on Sunday evening, November 2nd. The organization's second triennial convention takes place from November 2nd through the 4th at the Royal York Hotel.

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RUSSIAN JEWS EAGER TO EMIGRATE

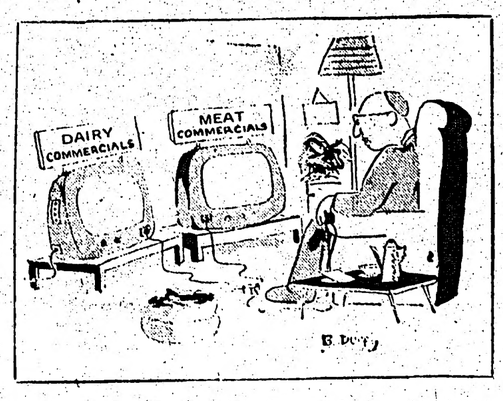
Haifa (JCNS).- A tourist from the West who had just visited the Soviet Union and who arrived in Haifa on board the Theodor Herzl at the weekend, said that "if they could, most of the Jews in Russia would emigrate to Israel. But they are afraid even to ask for permission to leave for fear of losing their jobs," after being denied such permission.

Soviet Jews, who already suffered from discrimination and antisemitism were afraid that the future would be even worse, she added. "Gradually the universities and the more important jobs are being closed to them."

Even young Jews wanted to go to Israel and were perhaps more pro-Israeli than their elders, the tourist said. They listen to news of Israel on Kol Israel's Russian language broadcasts. None believed the official line denouncing Israel as aggressor. "But the Jews are not alone in this. The more intelligent Russian also laughs at the official reports of Israel's so-called aggressions."

The tourist declined to give her name because her family still lives in Russia and might be persecuted.

FOOD DIVISION WILL HONOR ISRAEL SHOPSOWITZ AT MAJOR DINNER NOVEMBER 17th.- The newly-organized "Food Division" within the Israel Bond structure will launch it's participation in the 1969 Toronto Israel Bond campaign with a major Tribute Dinner honoring one of its best-known personalities Mr. Israel Shopsowitz. A key figure in this industry for many years, Mr. Shopsowitz has been an ardent supporter of the cause of strengthening Israel's economic development program. Colleagues in the food industry and related fields have joined the committee for the gala Dinner which will take place at the Inn on the Park on November 17th and a capacity attendance is expected to participate with the result of adding a new and substantial source of investment dollars for Israel through their purchases of Bonds in honor of Mr. Shopsowitz. Dinner Chairman will be Walter Bick who is hosting an advance Reception for the event at the Beverley Hills Hotel on November 13th.



ISRAELI IMPATIENCE

Tel Aviv (JCNS).- Israeli public opinion, reflected in the press, is becoming increasingly impatient at the continued detention by the Syrian authorities of two Israeli men after releasing all the other passengers from the Tel Aviv-bound TWA airliner diverted to Damascus by Arab hijackers on August 29th. The two men are Professor Samueloff of the Hebrew University, and Mr. Salah Moualem, a travel agent.

Israelis are particularly disappointed because there have been no moves to carry out the 24-hour strike originally suggested by the International Federation of Air Pilots Associations.

It was learned here this week that the American pilots organisation, which make up half the International Federations membership, was not ready to join the planned strike, claiming it would not be effective and that it was a weapon to be kept in reserve.

Personal efforts by the Finnish chairman of the federation to persuade the Americans to change their minds failed. It is believed that some of the main opposition to the strike came from TWA pilots.

Mrs. Golda Meir, the Israeli Prime Minister, who took the matter up with President Nixon last week, is expected to report next week to the Cabinet on the steps which the President might support in an attempt to free the detained passengers.

In the meantime, Israel is likely to refrain from any unilateral action against Syria. But pressure on the Government for action is growing rapidly and public impatience is doubtless shared by some influential Ministers.

GAZA CHILDREN

Tel Aviv (JCNS).- Gaza school children are being trained in terror tactics by members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Israeli security men recently discovered this activity, which began some weeks ago, after a number of children were killed handling grenades.

Since Saturday, two children have been killed and four injured in this way and inquiries are continuing for the arrest of the terrorists responsible for such training.

There have been no serious terrorist incidents in the area for a week and this is attributed to the arrest of dozens of suspects who are believed to belong to the Popular Front.

It is understood that several saboteurs who landed in the Gaza Strip by boat from Lebanon have escaped to Jordan.

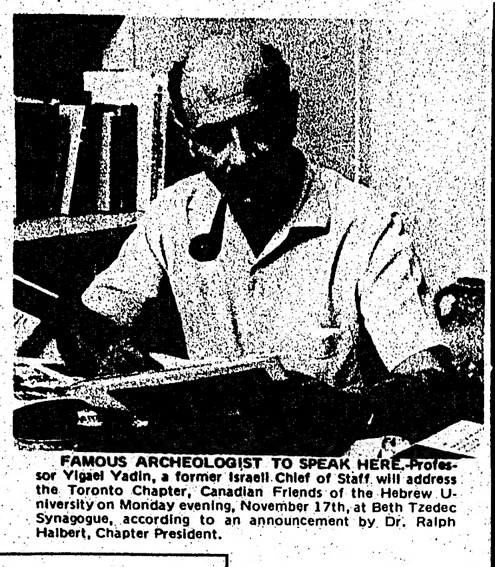
MOSCOW LEADERS TO ATTEND CELEBRATION

London (JCNS).- A suggestion to invite representatives of the Moscow Jewish community to next year's centenary celebrations of the United Synagogue is to be submitted to the honorary officers of the U.S. for consideration.

The idea came from the Rev. Dr. Barnett Joseph, minister of the Hackney Synagogue, London, at a meeting of the council of the Anglo-Jewish Association, held on Monday.

But Harold Sebag-Montefiore, the president of the AJA said he was hesitant to take up the suggestion, "since I don't think we should tell the United Synagogue how to celebrate their centenary any more than we would like them to tell us how to celebrate ours."

Mr. Victor Lucas, a member of the U.S. council, remarked, however, that he had made a note of the suggestion and would put it to his colleagues for consideration. In a statement to the council, Mr. Sebag-Montefiore, expressed appreciation of the steps taken by the Home Office and the police to protect Jewish places of worship from acts of terrorism, particularly over the High Holy days.



FAMOUS ARCHEOLOGIST TO SPEAK HERE.- Professor Yigael Yadin, a former Israeli Chief of Staff will address the Toronto Chapter, Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University on Monday evening, November 17th, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, according to an announcement by Dr. Ralph Halbert, Chapter President.

BLOOD SPECIALIST TO ADDRESS TORONTO GROUP.- Dr. Fred Rosner, assistant head of the department of Hematology at the Maimonides Medical Center, who will speak at the Associated Hebrew School Auditorium on Bathurst and Neptune Avenue on Monday evening, October 27th. Dr. Rosner, a graduate of the Albert Einstein School of Medecine, has published various articles in professional journals on leukemia and associated illnesses. For years he has also had an abiding interest in Maimonides and has written about the latter's medical works. Dr. Rosner has appeared on radio and television in the New York area, using these opportunities to expand the Torah view of current medical-Halachic problems. His topic will be "Conception and Contraception, Judaism Views Marital Life."

STOLNITZ UNVEILING

On the occasion of the unveiling of a monument for Cantor Nathan Stolnitz, the leaders of Toronto's Lithuanian Farband recalled with warmth the many contributions made by Cantor Stolnitz not only to the Farband but to Yiddish culture in general.

During his professional career the late Cantor Stolnitz served as cultural director for the Farband and participated in many of its programs of liturgical music. In addition, he served as a correspondent for Jewish newspapers, reporting on the activities of our community.

Reuben Madesker, of the Toronto Lithuanian Farband, noted that since Cantor Stolnitz's passing many of the activities of the Farband have been curtailed. "Because of his rich contribution to Yiddish, to Jewish music and to humanity, Cantor Stolnitz's memory will always be cherished," said Mr. Madesker.

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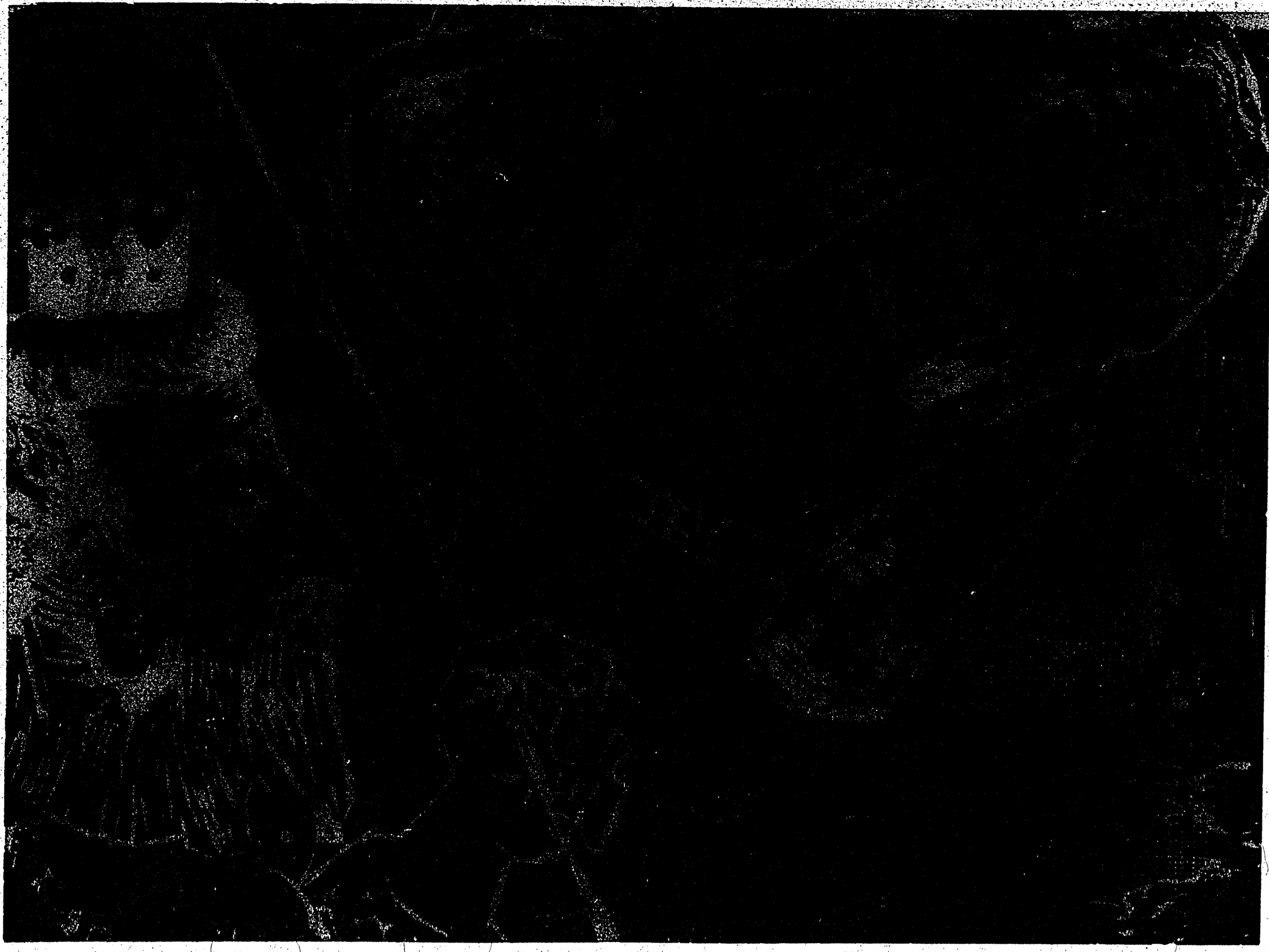

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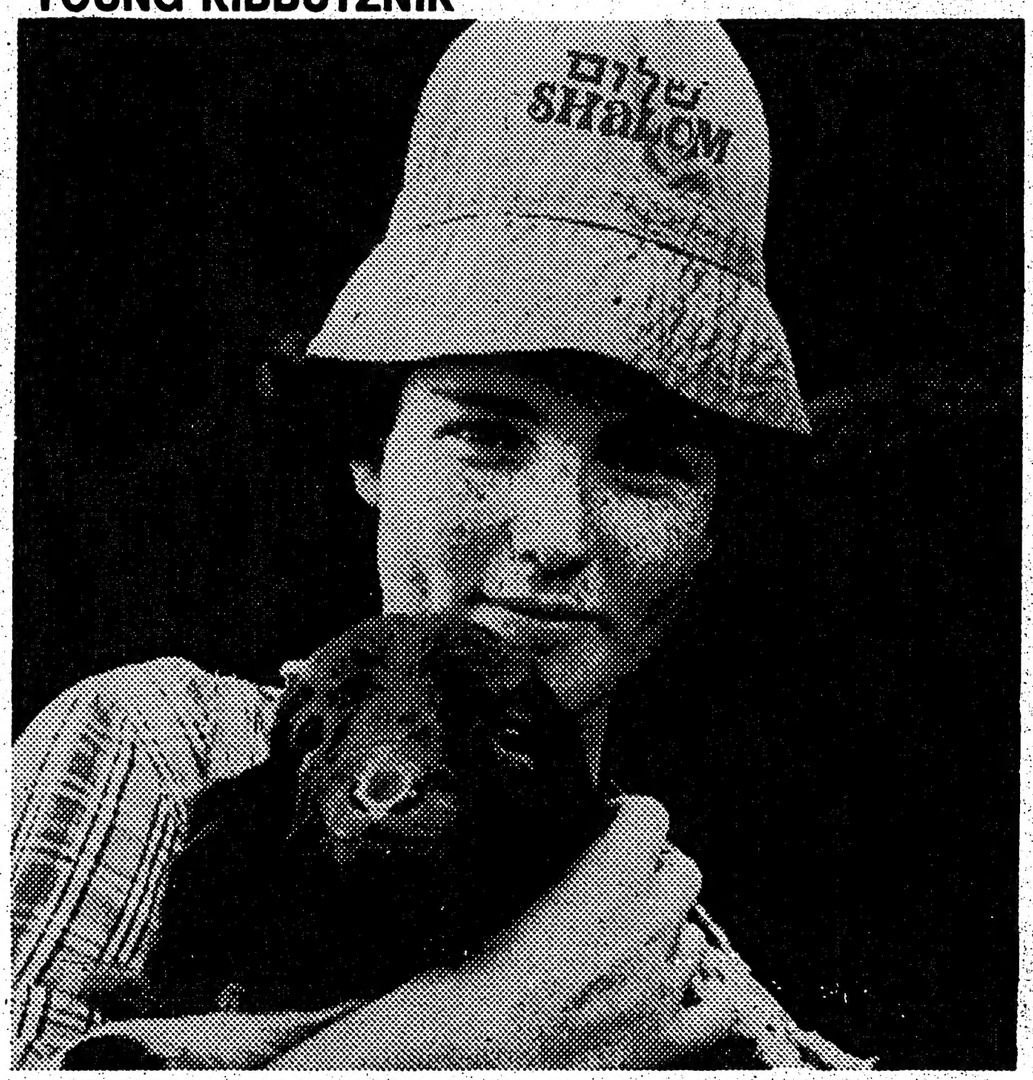

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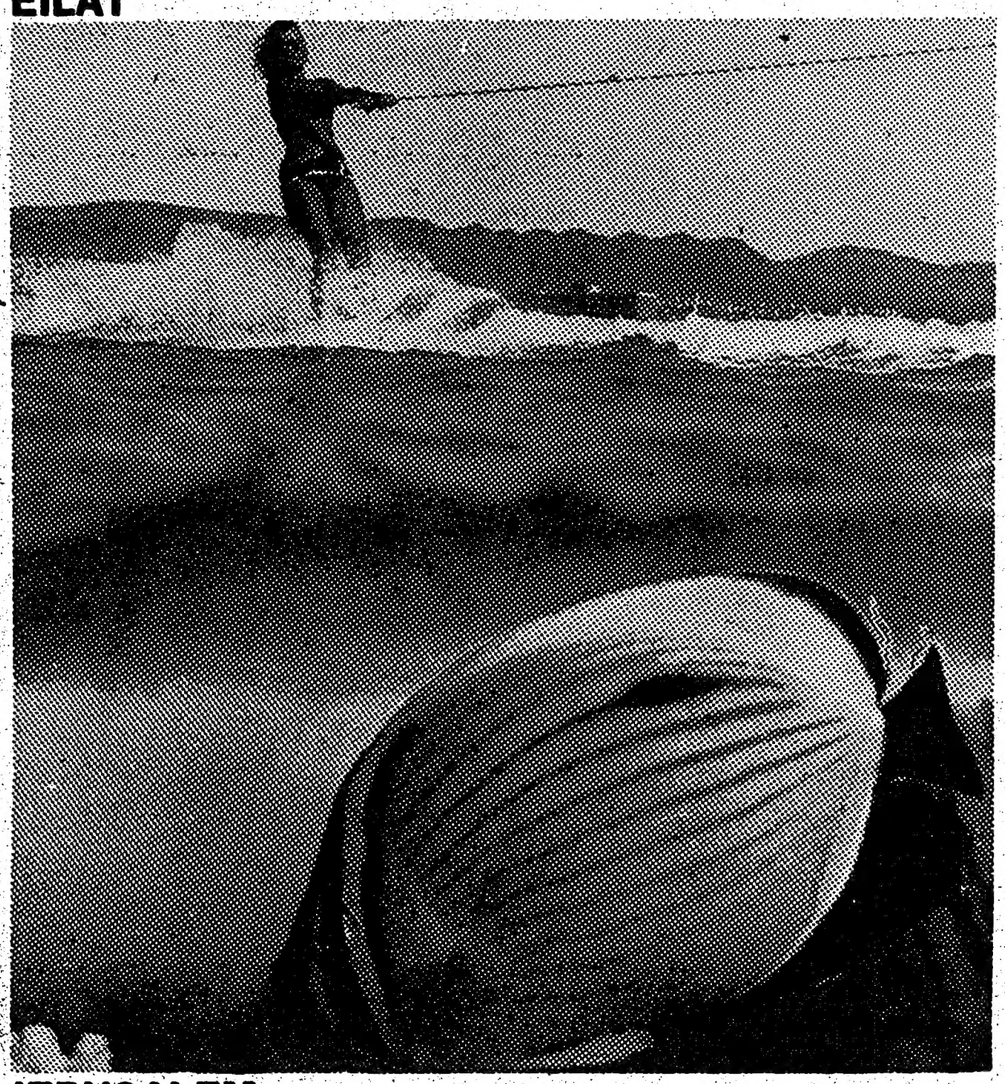

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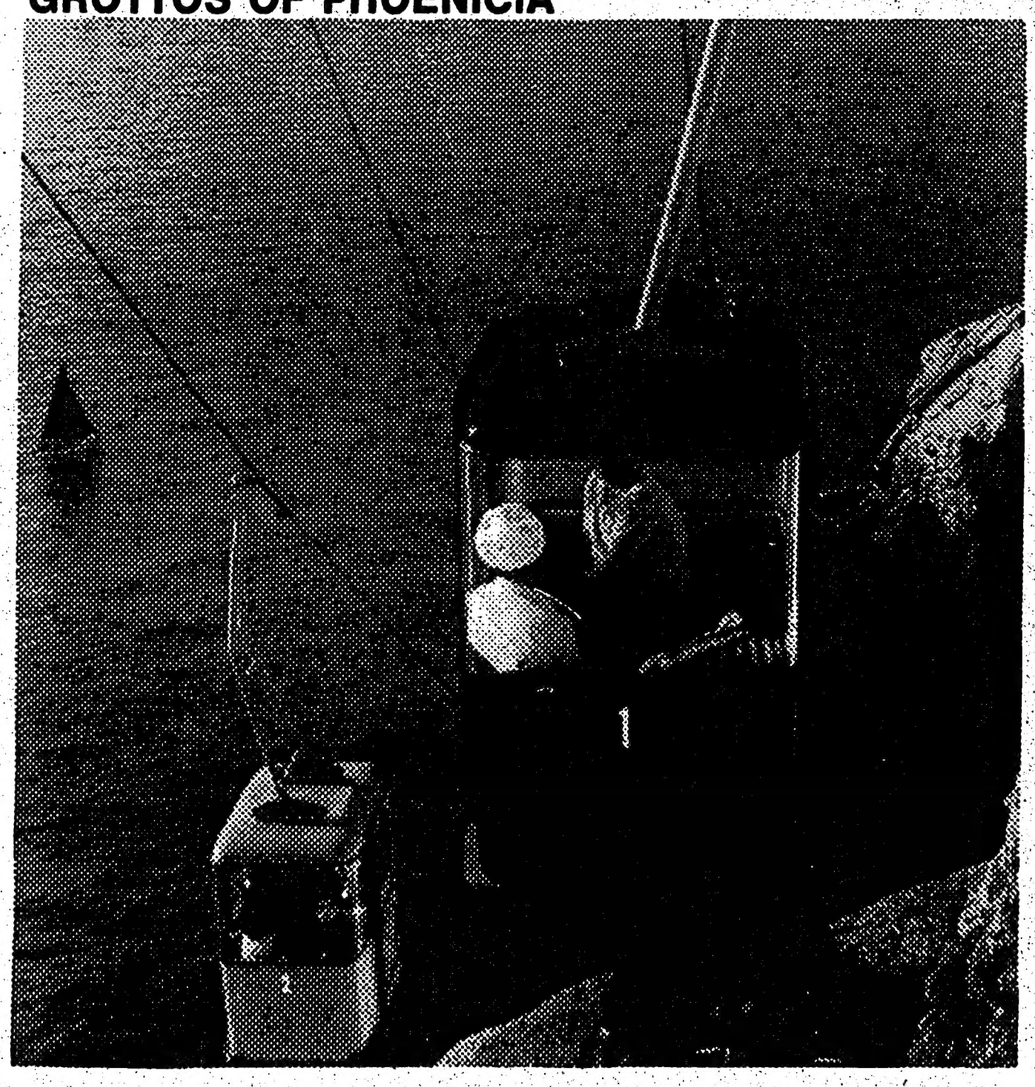

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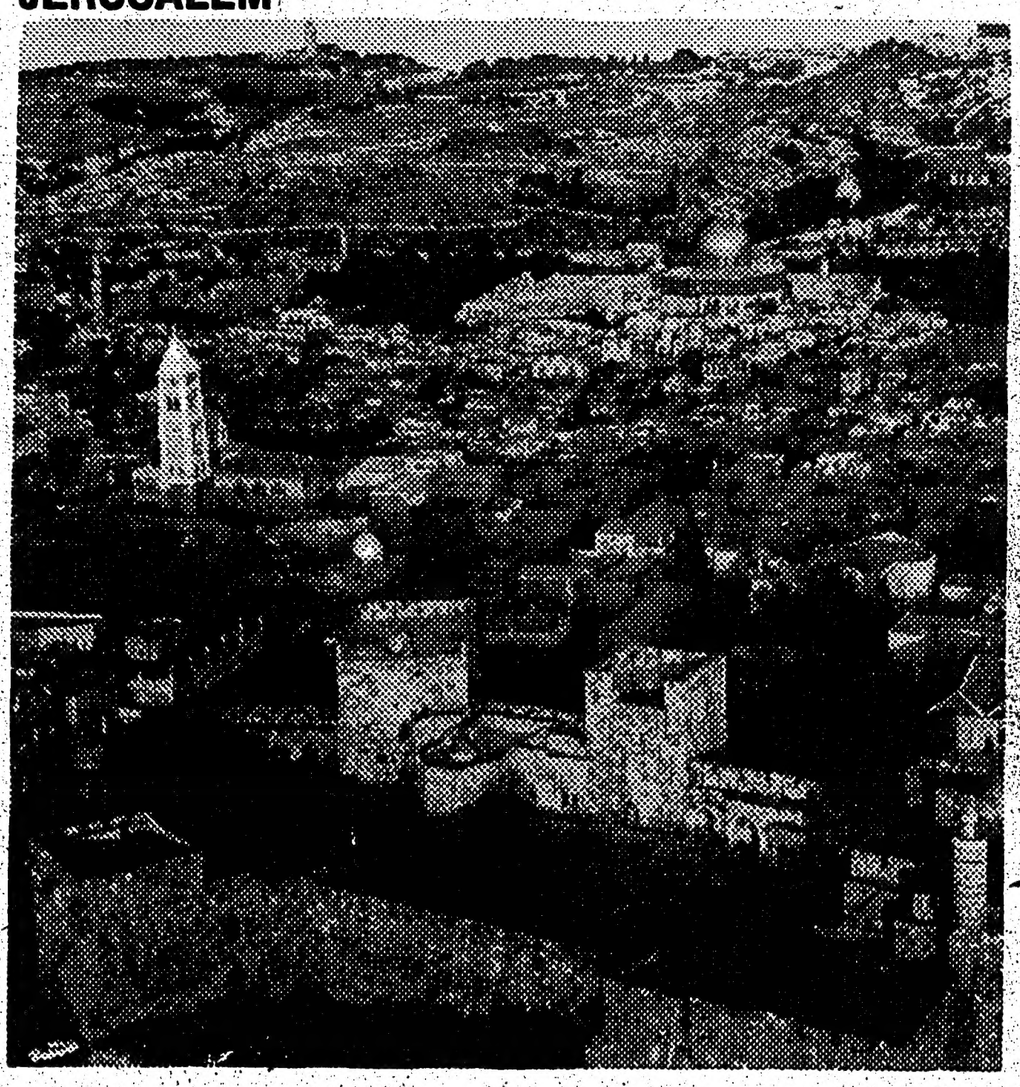

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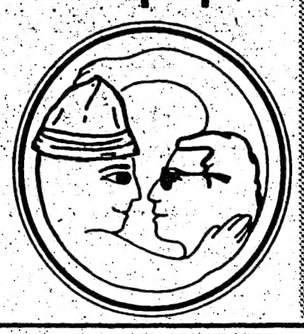

OUR JERUSALEM SPECIAL

This supplement devoted to the City of David, Jerusalem the Eternal, and to travel to the Holy Land in general, is one of a series on Israel now scheduled by The Canadian Jewish News. We hope to contribute to forging stronger links between the friends of Israel here and the dapper nation on the Mediterranean, the vanguard of the Jewish people fighting for survival.

In a sense, this supplement is an invitation to the reader to visit Israel. There is no better manifestation of solidarity with that beleagered people dwelling in Zion than a visit to the Holy Land.

THE COVER

The cover of this supplement is a composite of two works by the well known Toronto artist Saul Field, an expert on the art of print-making, who is known for his series on Tevye. We are privileged to reproduce his works by courtesy of Toronto's Limited Editions.

The top picture on the cover presents the artist's conception of a priest blessing the House of Israel. It is the traditional role of the priests to confer upon all those who are loyal to the Holy City, the benediction from Jerusalem: "May the Lord bless you from Zion."

The second reproduction is the artist's view of David, the Singer of Israel, playing the harp. It is with David, that Jerusalem is identified as the capital of Israel, and has been known therefore from biblical times as the City of David.

In recorded history Jerusalem was never known as anything else but the City of David, and the Eternal Capital of Israel.

The editors

RIGHT TO LIVE

New York (JCNS).- Many people's refusal to accept Israel's right to exist created a "very real fear" that the continued conflict in the Middle East was a struggle for survival, the World Council of Churches Committee on the Church and the Jewish People said in a majority statement.

The statement, issued at Wingspread in Racine, Wisconsin pointed out that the fear was heightened by memories of the Holocaust, the traumatic effects of which could not be ignored.

It said that part of the difficulty in understanding Israel's right to exist was the failure to grasp the significance of the historical link and the continuing presence of Jews in Palestine.

The statement for which no voting figures were announced, declared that if it was right to take seriously the plight of Arab refugees, "then the reality of Jewish refugees from Middle Eastern countries, the plight of Jews who are not permitted to leave them and the Israeli civilian victims of the present conflict cannot be ignored."

It also affirmed that "for the welfare of both parties to the conflict," no preconditions or unnegotiable issues which impeded the way to peace should be laid down.

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A TIME FOR TESTING

Do not wait, Fatah
For me to fade, Fatah
Nor class me
With Crusade, Fatah

No Jew had lived
Death's masquerade
To cringe before
Fatah's charade

Nor fade
Because you say it so
Away, away I will not go

I seek no blood-filled
Holy Grail
I do not quail before
your gun -
Nor can you win,
I do not run
Nor are you Saladin

I dream an older dream
Than yours
My bones more white
Upon these hills
My martyrs silhouette
each night
That's sent
Across your wind-blown
tent

You test my will, Fatah?
I grasp your fist, Fatah
I break your arm, Fatah
Where God and I held
tryst, Fatah
And sang in
wonderment, Fatah
Of wonderment and
peace.

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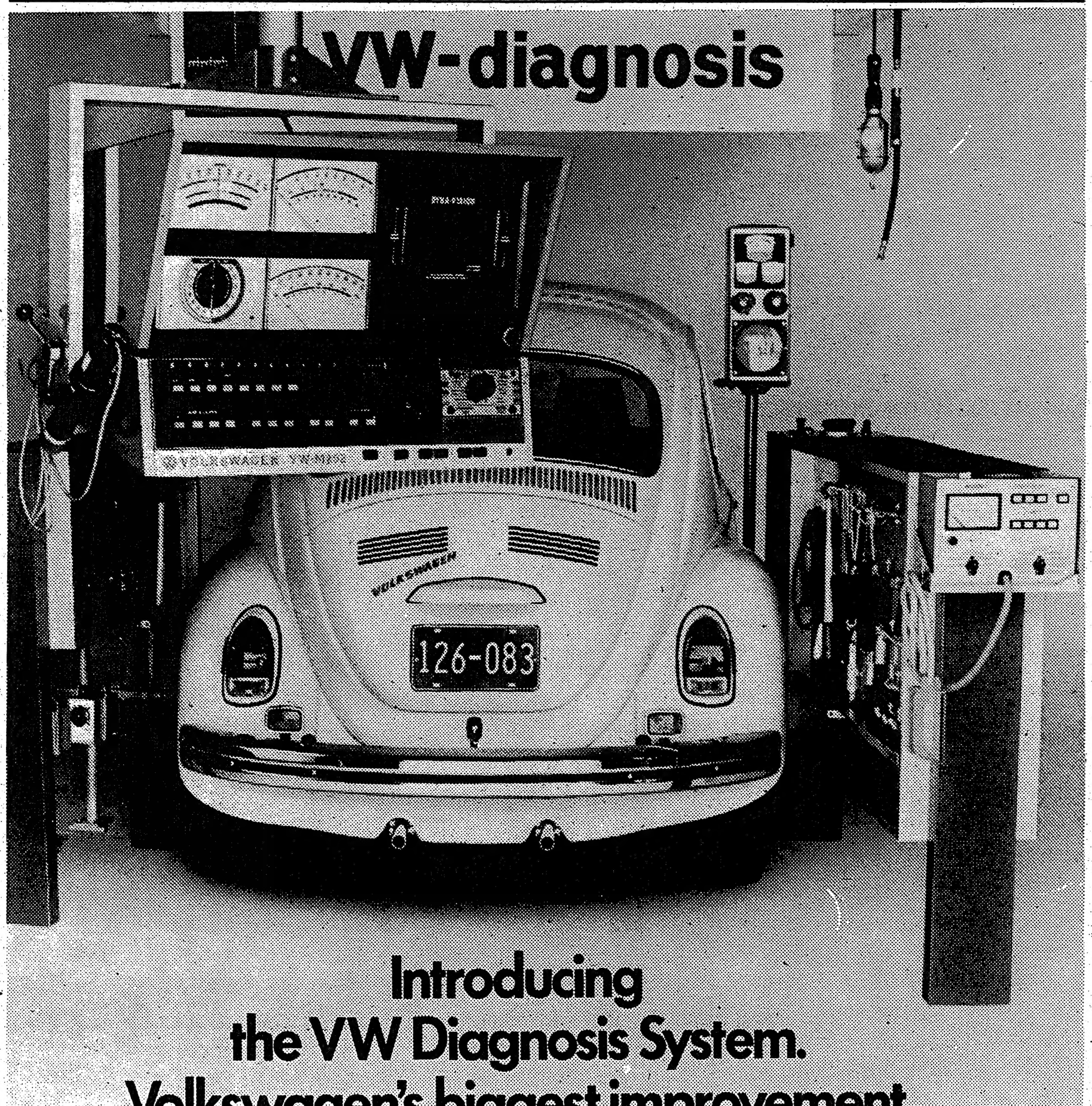

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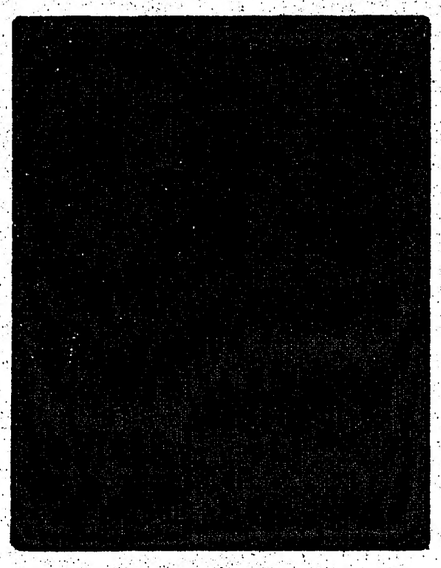

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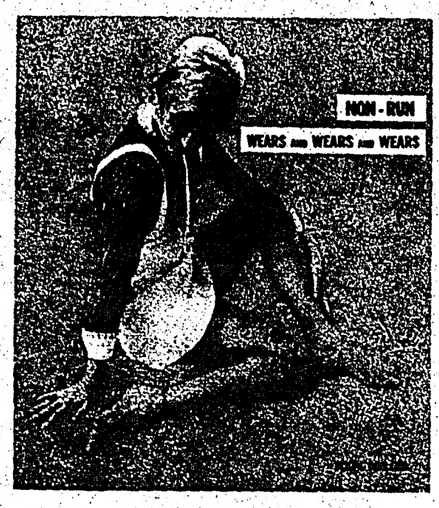

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Jerusalem-4,000 Years of History

No city has been coveted and fought over as often as Jerusalem – City of Peace. Babylonians, Macedonians, Ptolemies, Seleucids, Romans, Byzantines, Persians, Arabs, Seljuks, Crusaders, Mongols, Mamelukes, Turks, British and Jordanians are only some of the conquerors whose names have fluttered across the pages of its bloody and anguished past. Jerusalem is a sacred city – a city that has played a role in history out of all proportion to its economic importance and size.

Abraham, David and Solomon: Its story begins some 4,000 years ago when Melchizedek, king of Salem, welcomed Abraham with offerings of bread and wine (Gen. 14, 18). 1,000 years later David captured the city from the Jebusites and brought the Ark of the Law to Mount Moriah. David's son, Solomon, enshrined the Ark in a beautiful Temple which made Jerusalem the eternal spiritual centre of the Jewish people.

Babylon: The first kingdom of Israel ended in 587 B.C. when Nebuchadnezzer destroyed the city and Solomon's Temple, and took its people into captivity in Babylon. 50 years later Cyrus of Persia conquered Babylon. He allowed the Jews to return and in 517 B.C., the Second Temple rose on the ruins of the first.

Greece and the Maccabees: In 332 B.C. Alexander the Great came to Jerusalem. Greek rule was initially benign but in time it deteriorated. When Antiochus Epiphanes tried to enforce the worship of Greek gods and the sacrifice of swine in the Temple the Jews rose in furious revolt under Judas Maccabeus. The revolt succeeded and the Temple was purified. From 165 B.C. to 63 B.C., Judas' Hasmonean descendants ruled from an independent Jerusalem.

Pompey to Christ: In 63 B.C., under Pompey, the golden eagle of Rome settled on the land and in 37 B.C. an Idumean – Herod the Great – was appointed king. Despite his cruelty, Herod was a brilliant architect and magnificent builder. He rebuilt Jerusalem and extended and embellished the Temple so that it became one of the wonders of the world.

Destruction and Dispersion: Roman brutality fed the flames of discontent and in 66 C.E. the people rose in revolt. In 70 C.E. Titus' Roman legionares stormed into Jerusalem after one of the most terrible sieges ever recorded (Josephus – The Jewish War). The Temple was razed, the city ruined and the State of Israel ceased to exist. This event marks the begining of Jewish dispersion. In 132 C.E. the Jews rallied to the desperate banners of Bar Kochba but in 135 C.E. the Roman general Hadrian marched into Jerusalem, destroyed it completely and built a Roman colony – Aelia Capitolina – in its place.

The Cross and the Crescent: When Constantine's mother, Helena, arrived in the city in 326 C.E. it became the centre of the "New Faith", Christianity. Constantine crowned many of Christendom's holiest sites with beautiful edifices, ushering Byzantium into the Holy Land. In 614 a savage Persian invasion left the country in ruins. In 637 Caliph Omar took Jerusalem and Islam's star and crescent rose over Moriah where the Ark of the Law once stood.

Crusaders: In 1099 the Crusaders captured Jerusalem, slaughtered its inhabitants and established the Latin Kingdom. The Crusaders restored Christendom's holiest shrines but in 1244 Mongolian hordes swept the land and ransacked the city. Jerusalem returned to Islam.

Turkey: For 267 years the Egyptian Mamelukes held sway, then in 1517 the city passed to the Ottoman Turks. Except for Suliman the Magnificent, who rebuilt the walls in 1538 and did much to restore Jerusalem, the 400 years of Turkish rule were a sad progression from neglect to decay and oblivion.

Britain and Jordan: In 1917, following the collapse of the Turko-German armies, General Allenby declared British rule from Jerusalem. Upon the termination of the British Mandate on the 14th May 1948 war between Arab and Jew broke out. All Jewish inhabitants were driven out of the Old City and the Jewish Quarter razed to the ground by the Arab Legion who tore down 27 extremely venerated and ancient synagogues. For 20 years Jerusalem lay divided.

The Six-Day-War in June 1967 resulted in Jerusalem's unification under the nation that had given it greatness. Today the Star of David flutters from its scarred ramparts.

Over the Centuries Jerusalem has become a sacred symbol to more than a billion people. On its ground stand shrines venerated by the three great monotheistic religions and therein lies the essence of its strength and spirit.

Chronology

Abraham, David and Solomon:
B.C.
2000 Abraham offers Isaac for sacrifice on Moriah.
1000 David captures Jerusalem.
961–922 Solomon – First Temple constructed.
Babylon:
587 Nebuchadnezer – Jews exiled to Babylon.
537 Jews return from Babylon.
517 Second Temple completed.
Greece and the Maccabees:
332 Alexander the Great visits Jerusalem.
169 Antiochus Epiphanes desecrates the Temple.
167–141 Maccabean war of Liberation.
165 Purification and rededication of the Temple.
Pompey
63 Pompey captures Jerusalem.
37–4 C.E. Herod the Great. Builds palace Antonia fortress, reconstructs Temple etc.
C.E.
26–36 Pontius Pilate Roman Procurator of Jerusalem.

Destruction and Dispersion:
66–70 The Jewish war against Rome.
70 Titus destroys Jerusalem.
132–5 Bar Kochba's revolt.
135 Hadrian destroys Jerusalem.

The Cross and the Crescent:
326 Queen Helena in Jerusalem.
335 Constantine builds Holy Sepulchre.
614 Persian invasion.
629 Byzantium recaptures Jerusalem.
637 Caliph Omar captures Jerusalem.
691 Dome of the Rock completed.
Crusaders:
1099 Crusaders capture Jerusalem.
1187 Salladin captures Jerusalem.
1250–1517 Egyptian Mamelukes rule.
1267 Rabbi Moshe ben-Nachman establishes Jewish community.
Turkey:
1517 Ottoman conquest.
1538–40 Suliman the Magnificent.
1700 Rabbi Yehuda he-Hassid starts work on "Hurva" Synagogue.
1860 Jews establish first settlement outside Old City walls.
Britain Jordan and Israel:
1917 Britain conquers Palestine.
14 May 1948 British Mandate ends. Israel proclaims independence. Arab armies invade Israel.
1948–9 War of Independence. Old City falls to Jordanians. Jerusalem divided. West Jerusalem – Capital of Israel.
The Six-Day War: 5–10 June 1967.
7 June 1967 Israel Defence Forces capture Old City. Jerusalem reunited.

Amidst Jerusalem's splendor of the past the newest fashion

the sweet singer of israel

BY CHAIM NACHMAN BAILIK

Now David the King had a harp
which was hung above his bed opposite the windows.
When midnight drew near,
a light north wind blew upon the harp,
making the strings vibrate and tremble gently,
so that the harp made music by itself.
Then would David awake
and pour out his soul in music and song;
and until break of day his voice ascended to God
while the morning stars sang together.

And at dawn of day
the elders of the people and his captains came up
and brought before him
all the affairs of the people and their many needs.
Hardly had the sun risen–
then David, at the head of his warriors, stood up,
mighty and terrible like a lion among young lions,
and all his hosts rejoiced to go forth to war.

In the daytime David gave himself to heroic deeds and to war
and in the night time to music and song.
Such through all his days was David's rule of life.
There came a day
when David went forth to muse in the field,
and his heart was very cheerful.
He called to memory all the many songs
which he had sung to God throughout his life
from the beginning until now,
and he lifted up his heart and said:

"O God, can there be yet another creature on earth
who hath sung before thee so much as I?"

The words were yet in his mouth,
when suddenly a frog hopped up
from the edge of a pool close by
and uttered its voice and said:

"Let not thy heart be proud, O David!
My songs are mightier far than the songs of thy mouth!"

FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN ISRAEL

January	Int. Seminar of Plastics Manufacturers
February	2nd Int. Symposium on Animal and Plant Toxins 5th Bridge Festival World Congress of Synagogues
March	Int. Society for Horticulture Science Int. Seminar on Urology
April	Int. Flower Show Int. Symposium on Problems of the General Practitioners Ein-Gev Festival
May	T.A. Int. Trade Fair "Yerid Hamizrahh"
June	8th World Assembly of the Israel Medical Association 5th World Congress and Council of the Int. Public Relations Association
July	7th Int. World Assembly of Choirs (Zimrya) 2nd World Congress of Engineers and Architects
August	The Israel Festival - Caesarea Int. Festival for Cultural and Youth Centers 7th Int. Congress for Child Psychiatry Int. Federation of Mental Health Int. Congress of Advertising Associations World Convention of Concentration Camp Inmates and Jewish Fighters
September	World Congress of Detectives 4th Int. Harp Contest Int. Council Table Ronde Desk Archives

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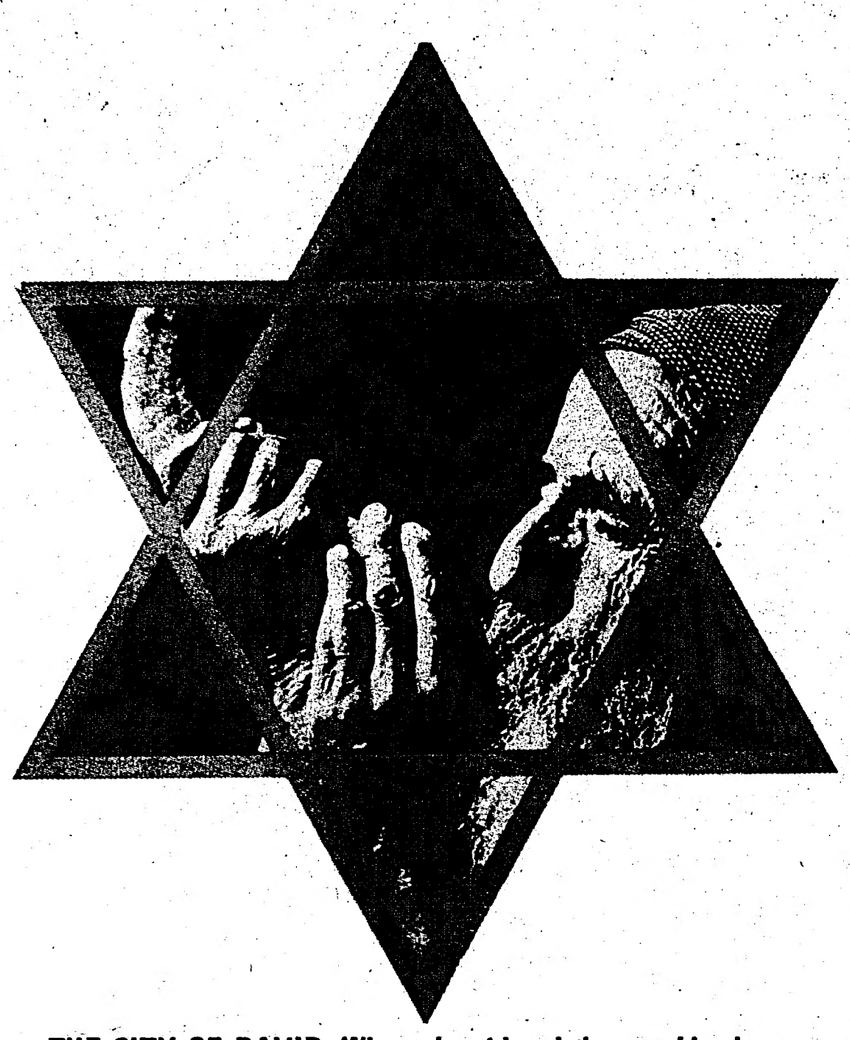

THE CITY OF DAVID: Where the old and the new blend

10 DAY

Departure Montreal	Return Montreal	Nights Israel	Nights Athens	Inclusive Tour Price Deluxe US	First Class US	Economy US
Oct. 28	Nov. 07	7	2	$510	$500	$391
Nov. 15	Nov. 25	9	—	$510	$470	$391
Dec. 02	Dec. 12	7	2	$510	$470	$391
Dec. 23*	Jan. 02 '70	7	2	$540	$500	$391
Jan. 24 '70	Feb. 03	9	—	$510	$470	$391
Jan. 27	Feb. 06	7	2	$510	$470	$391
Feb. 10	Feb. 20	7	2	$510	$470	$391
Feb. 14	Feb. 24	9	—	$510	$470	$391
Feb. 17	Feb. 27	7	2	$510	$470	$391
Mar. 07*	Mar. 17	9	—	$540	$500	$391
Mar. 10*	Mar. 20	7	2	$540	$500	$391

21 DAY

Departure Montreal	Return Montreal	Nights in Israel	Inclusive Tour Price Deluxe US	First Class US	Economy US
Nov. 04 '69	Nov. 25 '69	20	$765	$686	$485
Nov. 30	Dec. 18	17	$732	$665	$485
Dec. 09*	Dec. 30	20	$776	$693	$485
Dec. 20*	Jan. 08 '70	18	$760	$683	$485
Dec. 20*	Jan. 05	15	$727	$666	$485
Dec. 28*	Jan. 15	17	$741	$671	$485
Jan. 13 '70	Feb. 03	20	$765	$686	$485
Jan. 24	Feb. 12	18	$743	$672	$485
Feb. 10	Mar. 03	20	$770	$691	$485
Feb. 22*	Mar. 12	17	$766	$684	$485
Mar. 03*	Mar. 24	20	$796	$708	$485
Mar. 10*	Mar. 31	20	$796	$708	$485
Mar. 14*	Apr. 02	18	$776	$692	$485
Mar. 22*	Apr. 09	17	$809	$736	$521
Mar. 29*	Apr. 16	17	$819	$744	$521
Apr. 14*	May 05	20	$849	$771	$521
Apr. 18*	May 07	18	$829	$753	$521
Apr. 19*	May 07	17	$819	$744	$521
Apr. 28*	May 19	20	$819	$744	$521

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KLM 50TH ANNIVERSARY

BY THE CJN TRAVEL EDITOR

Things have come a long way for KLM since it was founded in October 1919. Those were the days when pilots and passengers flew in

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Up 'n' out:
First Schiphol arrival

open-air cockpits, and when gloves and goggles were part of the regular service provided for the passengers.

The first pantry on board KLM planes consisted of a wooden cupboard containing bottles and glasses.

This unheard of luxury was short-lived, however, since after a quarter of an hour in the air, the cupboard shook itself loose from the wall and fell into the laps of the surprised passengers. Then picnic hampers with soft drinks in aluminum flasks were carried on long runs, and the radio operator was the man responsible for providing fatigued passengers with a snack or a swig.

Contrast this with the situation today when a super DC8 making the Amsterday-New York run carries along with its 225 passengers not only gourmet meals of high quality, but also on any given day 600 quarts of water, 50 large bottles of soft drinks, 80 cans of beer, and hundreds of miniature bottles of spirits.

In all KLM now handles over 40 million units of food and drink per year. Schiphol Airport, outside of Amsterdam, moreover has the largest kosher catering facilities of any airline in the world.

The creation of KLM was due in great part to the ingenuity and resourcefulness of Albert Plesman, who was a flight lieutenant in the Dutch airforce during World War I. At a time when aviation in his country was scarcely recognized as a serious means of travel, Mr. Plesman had the ability to see the future possibilities of air travel. As he was to express later, "The air-ocean unites all people."

Before it could do so, however, he realized that people had to be introduced to the whole idea of air travel, considered then a relatively exotic adventure.

On August 1, 1919 Plesman opened the gates of his first Aviation Exhibition in Amsterdam.

The exhibition enjoyed a success far beyond what Plesman himself had anticipated. In the six weeks it was open, more than half a million interested people streamed through the gates.

Under Plesman's expert guidance KLM grew by leaps and bounds each year. In May 1920 the airline introduced its first London return flight, and in September of the same year, the Amsterdam-Breman-Hamburg service began. Always conscious of the necessity of providing the most advanced in aircraft design KLM purchased the best airplanes then available; this included the De Havilland and the Fokker. This latter plane had the advantage of having a closed cabin so that the four or five passengers no longer had to be equipped with leather coats, flying caps, goggles and hot water bottles.

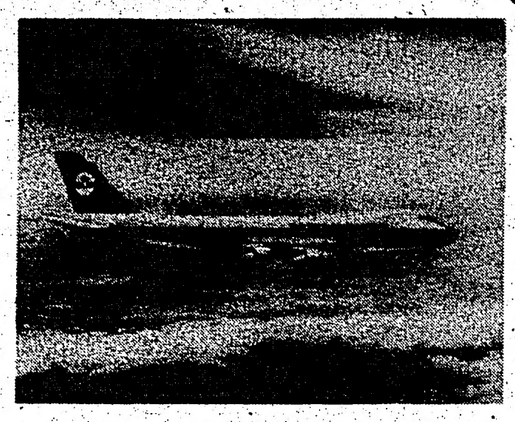
During the next 20 years the company grew and expanded tremendously, especially in its overseas operations. The Amsterdam-Brussels service began in 1922 and the Paris run was initiated a year later. In 1924 the airline took the bold step of attempting a link-up between Amsterdam and Batavia in the Dutch East Indies. The longest air service in the world, the Amsterdam-Djakarta run began five years later. It's difficult in our sophisticated age of intercontinental jets to conceive of the popular enthusiasm which surrounded this most extraordinary flight back in 1929. Twenty-five thousand people awaited Iwan Smirnoff and his "Pelikaan" when they returned after a 12 day record flight from Amsterdam to Djakarta and back.

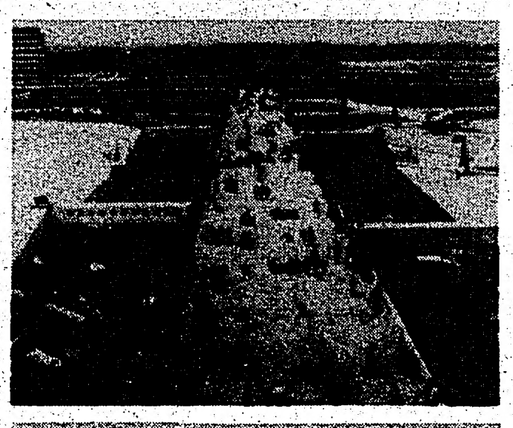
KLM's rapidly expanding operations came to an abrupt but not permanent halt in 1940 when the Germans invaded Holland. On May 10th of that year Schiphol was bombed and 18 aircraft were destroyed. Albert Plesman, the man who had pioneered KLM's vast enterprises, had to hand over the reins of management to others. Not unexpectedly this was the gloomiest part of his life. But even during this dark period, Plesman scanned the possibilities for later on, when the nightmare would be over.

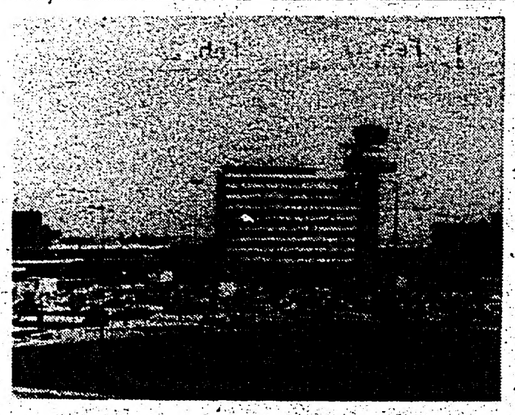
Despite Holland's desperate economic straits after the war, Plesman's drive and ingenuity succeeded in getting KLM back on its feet again. Less than five months after the end of the war KLM flew again. Initially only domestic flights took place but within a few months the old flight lines were re-established. By 1946 a new and prestigious name was added to the list of KLM stops -- New York. It should also be noted that KLM was the first commercial airline to fly regularly into the state of Israel, a contact which she has maintained to this day when she is as involved as ever in the Amsterdam-Lod run.

On New Year's Eve 1953 Albert Plesman, the founder and re-founder of his KLM passed away at only 64 years of age.

Despite the death of its guiding spirit, KLM has continued to be one of the world's most progressive airlines. In 1957 it introduced jet turbines in the form of the Vicker's Viscount. In the spring of 1960 it pioneered again with the acquisition of eight Douglas DC8's, and most recently with the DC8-63, a plane capable of carrying up to 225 passengers. These latter aircraft are used most often between Amsterdam and New York, a trip which lasts only eight hours. For shorter runs the DC9 has been used.







SCHIPHOL AIRPORT: KLM'S HOME BASE

As always KLM has its eyes on future developments in air travel. Consideration is now being given to the new supersonic planes, and in 1973 the airline will receive six DC10's which will be used especially for the southerly routes in the Far East. The improved economy of the jet airliner has another benefit in addition to the greater speed and punctuality obtained. It is possible now to reduce fares regularly against a background of generally rising prices. A fifty percent reduction in the price of an Amsterdam-New York ticket has been made possible largely through the technical improvement of the jet age.

KLM's concern for passenger comfort is also seen in its ground operations, from its bus service to its terminal building at Schiphol airport. Although the new complex there is only two years old efforts are already underway to increase its size by fifty percent. By 1980 Schiphol expects some 18 million passengers, meaning that on a given day in that year something like 100,000 passengers will pass through the terminal. To meet this enormous number, the highways leading in and out of this vast complex are being expanded. Consideration is also being given to the setting up of a rail link to Schiphol.

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In order to guarantee passengers that they would arrive on time for their planes KLM began, in 1947, a bus company for that specific purpose. Today the company has 130 employees itself and 29 modern, comfortable coaches which carry out scheduled services between the Hague and Rotterdam. The buses also provide excellent connections with the Dutch railways.

In the field of freight transportation, KLM is currently án industry leader. In the peak season a DC8 leaves Schiphol eight times a day for North America. Apart from seats for 150 to 200 passengers, these aircraft also have room for as much as 4,000 pounds of freight. Special flights are also made with airplanes especially designed for freight-carrying. As much as 15,000 pounds of freight may be found on these planes which leave 12 times a week for New York. Holland is in a particularly advantageous position in regard to freight operations because it has excellent road and railway connections and some 1,200 special haulage companies. In addition, the customs facilities in Holland are first class since the authorities realize that unnecessary formality in the clearing procedures has no place in modern airport transport. Some 40 countries have already chosen Schiphol as a distribution center and thus have the considerable advantage that their transit goods remain right outside the customs limits.

In a recent address Dr. G. Van Der War, president of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines said:

"We are standing at the threshold of a new age with new dimensions. The 70s will see civil aviation doubling, trebling and probably even quadrupling its volume of traffic. It is hardly a gradual transition. Wide-body and supersonic aircraft will carry ever more passengers and larger volumes of freight at higher speeds and at relatively lower prices. We have really only just come to the beginning. We are employed in the fastest growing industry where it appears that the ground rather than the sky will be the limit. We can see revolutionary development not only in the means of production but also in the market, in distribution and in sales. Every day more industries become interested in the holiday market. We must establish ourselves flexibly and ready for action in a cut-throat and highly competitive industry with a rapidly expanding market in order to be able to offer yet better, faster and more efficient service. We take the challenge to strive during the 70s to consolidate the position of KLM in the world of civil aviation as a pillar of our national economy and strengthen it wherever possible."

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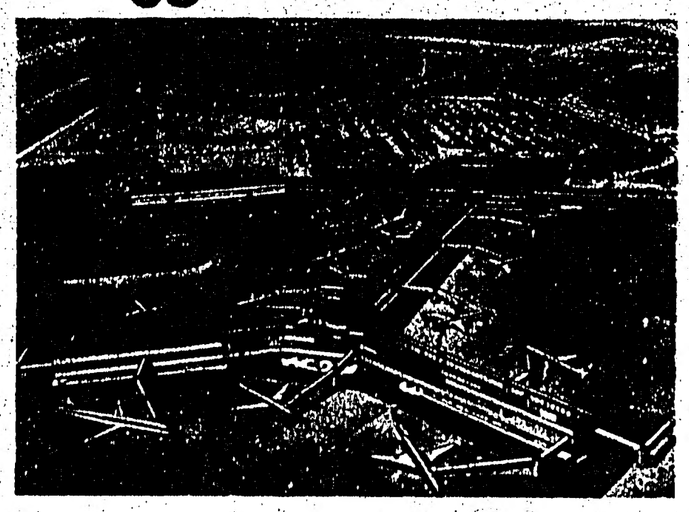

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Tourism official interviewed

by Gloria Berlin

ALL ROADS LEAD TO ISRAEL

A BOOMING INDUSTRY HELPS DEVELOP JEWISH STATE

Mr. Gideon Policar, the director for Canada of the Israel Government Tourist Office since 1966, was recently interviewed about travel to Israel. Following is the full text of the exclusive interview with the Canadian Jewish News:

Q. Has the number of travellers to Israel increased and in what proportion?

A. The number of tourists to Israel has increased 100% from 1966 to 1968 and is increasing continuously.

Q. What was the number of tourists to Israel in 1966?

A. In 1966 there were close to 8,000 tourists while in 1968 the figure rose to 14,700. In 1969 we look forward to about 16,000.

Q. Mr. Policar, what is the average sum of money a tourist contributes to the economy of Israel?

A. A North American tourist will spend an average of $250 in Israel (hotels and tours); in addition to this he will spend a considerable amount for purchases.

There is now a special Marketing Division in Israel for tourists in order to facilitate and assist the tourist in shopping services. This is under government control so as to ensure the tourist of the maximum value for his dollar spent.

The average tourist will spend from $200 to $250 on gifts and various purchases.

If 15,000 tourists come to Israel they will spend approximately $1 million. This does not include the revenue for transportation spent on Israel's national carriers -- El Al and Zim Lines.

Q. On my last visit to Israel Mr. M. Kol impressed me by mentioning the unusual activity being carried out in the building of hotels suitable for American tourists. How has Israel progressed in this regard?

A. Presently there are 3,000 new hotel rooms in the planning and building stage which are either new hotels or existing ones located in all parts of the country. This is in addition to the existing 13,000 hotel rooms. From March 1, 1970 a new hotel grading system will be introduced based on stars in order to classify the various hotels. Among the 5-star hotels are: Hilton, Sheraton, Dan, Four Seasons, Sharon, Acadia Intercontinental, Gallee Kinneret.

This proves Israel's strong belief in the importance of tourism to her economy, and is augmented by the foreign capital which is being continuously invested in Israel's booming tourist industry.

Q. Mr. Policar, because of the confidence throughout the business world in Israel's tourist industry, what are the immediate plans for bringing in foreign investors into Israel?

A. In the field of investment in the tourist industry there are the following initiatives being taken: The Hon. Moshe Kol has called a conference to take place in March 1970 in Jerusalem for potential investors in this very lucrative field. This conference is an outgrowth of the Economic Conference.

My colleague Mr. Moshe Golan, the Israel Trade Commissioner for Canada is now working with prospective Canadian investors in cooperation with the Ministry of Tourism.

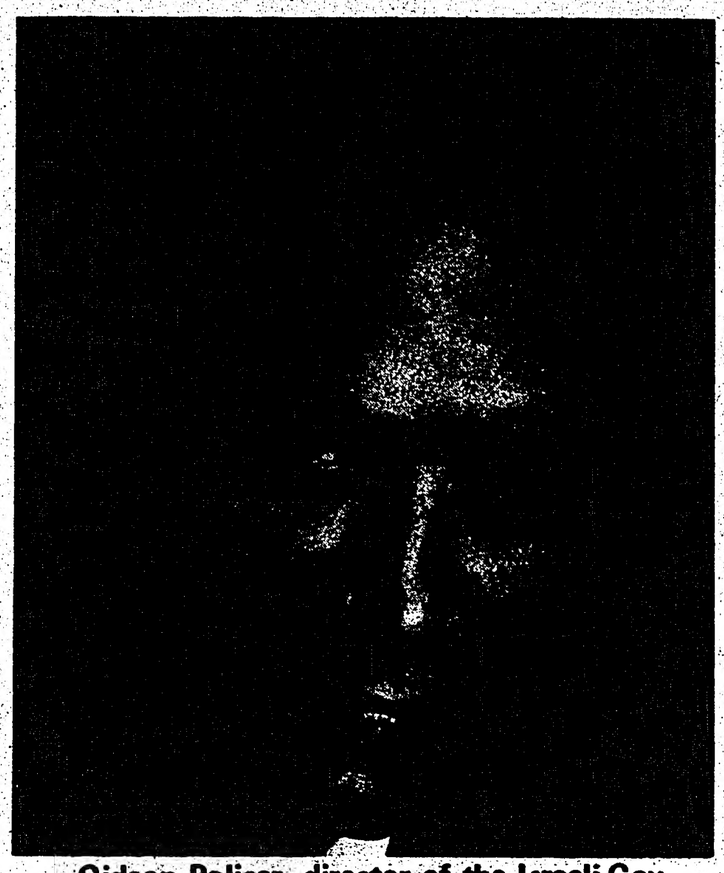
The last Economic Conference in Jerusalem at which an impressive Canadian delegation under the leadership of Mr. Ray Wolfe attended has certainly demonstrated the interest of Canadian friends of Israel in the investment in various industries in Israel -- this of course includes the tourist industry.

One of the most successful ventures between Canada and Israel has been the recently opened Four Seasons Hotel in Natanya by Sharp and Koffler.

Q. How would you advise prospective tourists to plan their visit to Israel? When is the best time to visit?

A. I would like to point out that a special low-air price winter rate starting from $374 Canadian for round-trip from Montreal to Tel Aviv and return is in effect. This is for a 10-day stay in Israel, and is the lowest rate ever offered. The Toronto - Tel Aviv and return fare is $412 Canadian Funds for the 10 day period.

I wish to express my thanks to the Canadian Jewish public who have been most cooperative in their continuous interest and support of Israel.



Gideon Policar, director of the Israeli Government tourist office in Canada.

DIRECTOR OF ISRAEL GOVERNMENT PRESS OFFICE. - Dr. Meron Medzini, who after serving with Israeli army went to the United States in 1954 to study government at the City College of New York. After a stint as a press officer with the Israeli embassy in Washington, Medzini took a Ph.D in the field of international relations at Harvard. He assumed his present post in 1962.

Dr. Medzini will be in Toronto on Nov. 10, 11, 12, and in Montreal on Nov. 13, 14.

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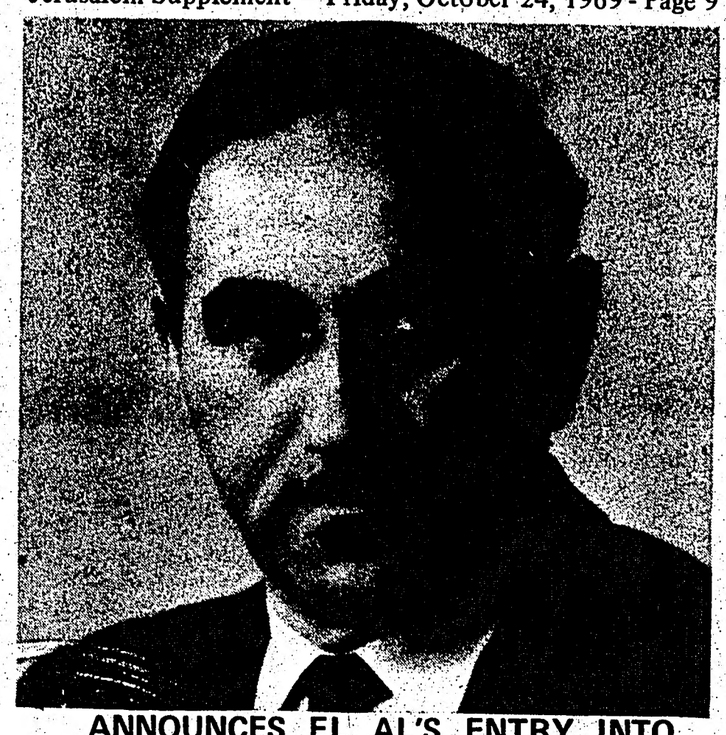

ANNOUNCES EL AL'S ENTRY INTO SUPERSONIC AGE.-Phillip Harris, manager for Canada of Israel Airlines.

SEMINAR FOR YOUNG CANADIANS

In order to increase ties between Israel and Jewish youth organizations in Canada, a seminar will take place in Israel, January 1970 for Jewish Youth Workers, Social Workers, YM-YWHA personnel and summer camp directors. The two week seminar is organized with the cooperation of the Canadian Council of YM-YWHA's and Jewish Community Centers, National Conference of Jewish Communal Workers and Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, and its participants will be guests of the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem.

The Youth Department operates a program under which qualified Israel schlichim are being sent to community centers for a duration of 2 to 3 years. A shaliach from Israel will arrive in Winnipeg towards the end of this year and plans are at hand for next year for Vancouver and other communities.

During the last few years the interest amongst students and young people in general, to visit Israel during the summer has grown considerably. The Youth Department offers 3 different summer programs for students aged 14 to 25, varying in the amount of time spent in Israel. The programs are part of the overall effort to strengthen the ties between Jewish youth abroad and youth in Israel.

There was this year a marked increase in the participation from Canada in the Sherut La'am program. Sherut La'am comprises various programs: a professional 1 year program for teachers, technicians, nurses, social workers, etc., who work during their stay in Israel in their professional in immigrant settlements, villages, and other areas; a 1 year special kibbutz placement for young people who want to spend a full year in the kibbutz.

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Mr. Mordechai Ben Ari, President of El Al Israel Airlines announced that the third decade of the company's activities will commence with the opening of routes serving new destinations.

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The announcement was made at the Symposium on Civil Aviation that opened in Tel Aviv on October 8th.

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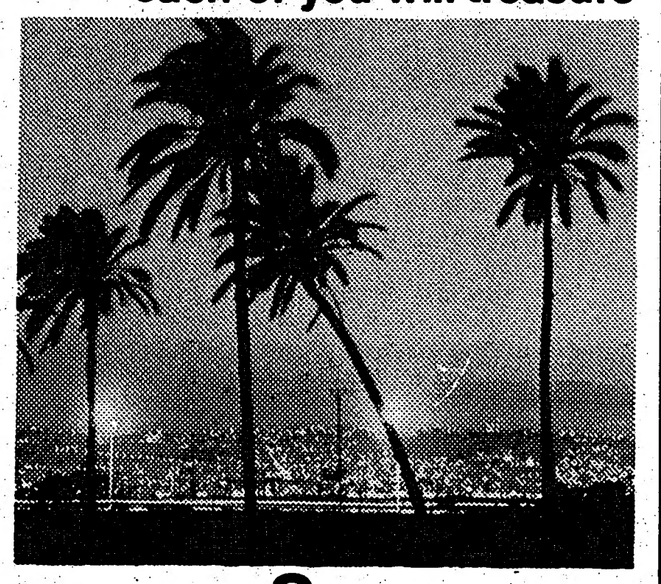

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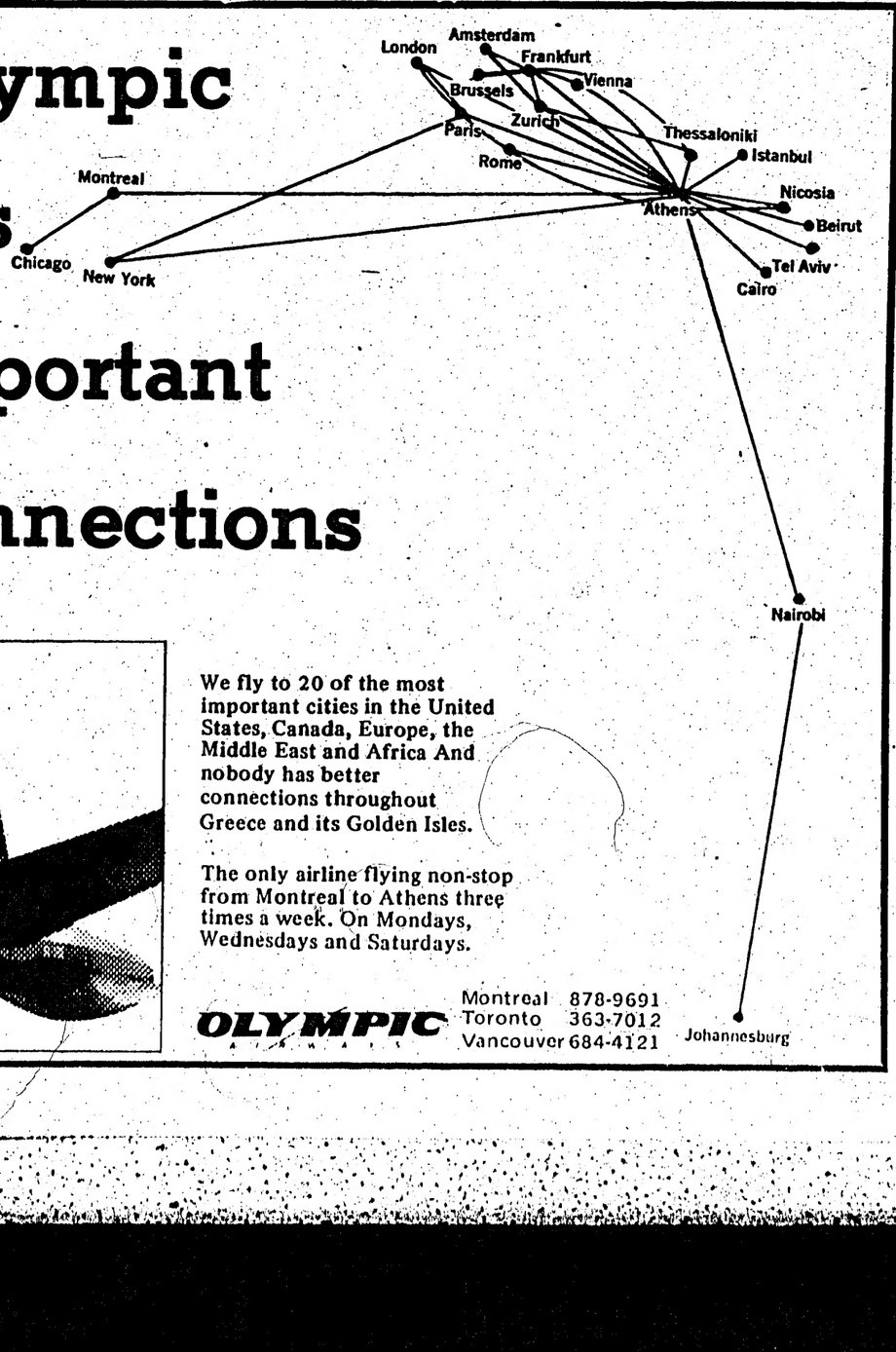

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ISRAEL REVISITED

By GEORGE MIKES

Twenty years ago George Mikes visited Israel for the first time. The result was the hilarious "Milk and Honey." The Hungarian humorist now reports on his second visit in "The Prophet Motive: Israel Today and Tomorrow."

We noticed some yellowish red liquid on a street vendor's stand and walked up to him.

"Glass of apple juice, please."

He filled a glass and handed it to my companion.

"This is carrot juice. Much better for you."

I was greatly embarrassed by this because I was just in the middle of telling her that manners had changed in Israel and was about to explain why this was bound to happen.

I shut up temporarily. We went to a restaurant for a dairy lunch (a popular and delicious meal) and to our joy we discovered on the menu a kind of goat cheese we both knew and loved from our Central European days. It was the cheapest and commonest of all cheeses. When we ordered it, the waitress shook her head.

"That's not good enough for you. I'll get you something much better."

There was no appeal against her decision. She was an elderly female, very sweet, all smiles and kindness, and she was obviously venting her maternal instincts on us.

"At least," I remarked to my companion when the waitress was out of ear shot, "they all seem to care. They are concerned. They think of our well-being."

I did feel a lingering doubt on this point. Perhaps, I thought, the street vendor had no apple juice and gave us the carrot juice instead -- who knows? -- and maybe the waitress, for all her maternal instincts, merely wanted to sell us something more expensive. Who can see into the soul of another? In any case, I was determined to prove that Israeli manners had improved beyond recognition in the last 20 years.

"What is that story from your earlier book people keep mentioning?" my companion asked me. "About a waiter and some cups of tea."

"That's a thing of the past. Completely out of date now."

I refused to repeat the story but she found a copy of Milk and Honey" and read the story for herself.

"I was in a cafe with 7 other people and a member of our party ordered '8 teas' for us. The waiter trotted back after a few minutes with glasses of steaming, purple tea on a tray and a slice of lemon in each glass. The waiter put the tray down, leaving the task of distributing the glasses to us. We did so and found one glass too many. My host called the waiter back and said to him:

"Look, we ordered 8 glasses of tea and you brought us 9."

The waiter was unimpressed. "Nu," he replied, "what about it? Another Yid will come and drink it."

"The other Yid duly arrived and drank it."

My companion read the story and I explained to her:

"This type of behaviour belongs to the past. It just doesn't exist any more."

The same afternoon we went to interview a high-ranking civil servant who discussed problems of his department wth me and then ordered refreshments.

"No doubt," he said, "you remember your own story about the waiter and those cups of tea. The very same thing happens three times a day in my office."

On our way out my companion remarked: "I thought you said that this sort of thing had completely disappeared."

"What I meant was that a waiter would not behave like that nowadays. Members of the establishment making little jokes among themselves is an entirely different kettle of fish."

Soon afterwards we were having coffee in a coffee bar. I took a box of saccharin tablets from my pocket and asked the lady: "How many do you want? Two or three?" I shook the container rather more than I meant to and all the tablets fell out and rolled in all directions over the table and on to the floor. The waiter stood by, watching us pick them up and roaring with laughter.

"Two or three? . . . Ha-ha-ha . . . Perhaps you meant two or three hundred . . . ha-ha-ha . . ."

My companion rubbed it in. "So it's not only members of the establishment who behave like that . . ."

I admitted that this waiter's manners were somewhat informal. But why not? People -- I said -- were not deferential and humble any more and why should they be? There are no large differences of income, so people feel equal; they are equal. On top of it, these people had just come through some harrowing experiences together and those experiences had narrowed the gap between man and man.

There were no doormen there -- I continued -- in front of the big hotels, wearing gold-braided admiral's uniforms; no waiters in tails, recalling Edwardian diplomats; neither could one find that chip-on-the-shoulder-chumminess which asserts aggressively that "I'm as good as anyone else" when no one thinks of denying it. "One man works in a restaurant as a waiter, the other is a judge or a general or a cabinet-minister -- so what? A man is still a man."

A good speech; and I delivered it rather impressively. But I knew that I was beaten. Israeli manners were just as bad as ever before. Israelis still keep teaching you your own business. God knows everything but the Israelis know everything better; they cannot bear to be wrong in anything.

When you make a remark, they will interrupt you with "of course, of course, of course . . ." meaning how silly it is to state the obvious at great length. Or cut you short with "OK, OK, OK" -- meaning more or less the same. If they cannot butt in, they make faces, showing that they have already got the point and there is no need for you to go on nattering.

They are quick-witted and always jump to conclusions. Often to wrong ones. On one occasion I went into a shoe shop and began: "Have you got . . ."

"A pair of brown shoes, like the ones in the window?"

"No. Have you got . . ."

"A pair of black?"

"No."

"Suede?"

"No."

"Sandals?"

"No."

"Then have I got what?"

"Have you got a daughter called Susannah, because if you have I have a message for her from London."

With all that impatience and quickness of mind, they always believe that you, on the other hand, must be pretty slow and dim. I stopped a man in the street in Haifa and asked him where Leon Blum Street was. He told me: "Fourth on the right." I thanked him and was about to proceed. He raised his hand, stopped me and told me, speaking with great emphasis, very loudly and very slowly: "Not the first. Not the second. Not the third. The fourth."

I thanked him again -- somewhat dryly, this time -- but I was still not allowed to go.

"Not on the left. On the right."

I must add that whenever the average Israeli realizes that he has found his match in rudeness he takes it in manly fashion. My companion had some minor complaint and a doctor friend advised me on the telephone to buy certain tablets for her. I jotted down the name of the medicine in my illegible handwriting and later I read it out to the lady assistant in the chemist shop. She shouted at me: "Give me that paper. I can read. I am not blind."

I replied: "It seems that you are not deaf either. So just listen."

This improved our relationship and the rest of the transaction passed off without a hitch.

In spite of all these irritating and annoying little incidents and skirmishes, politeness is slowly gaining ground. You come across many acts of courtesy and consideration; motorists (sometimes) wait even two -- or a maximum of three -- seconds to let a pedestrian pass and extend minor courtesies to one another. The atmosphere is much more relaxed than on my first visit; there is no tension in the air; the rush much less murderous.

The new way of behaviour gaining ground -- admittedly, rather slowly -- is a matter-of-fact, no-fuss consideration of other people and not the old-world courtesy. European courtier manners or the cool, disciplined and reserved English behaviour. But why should it not be so? I, for one, prefer a little genuine consideration to seven bows, let alone to the "after-you Cecil" type of courtesy.

A surveyor friend of mine was taken to a distant place in the country by his assistant. He used to know the place well, but had not visited it for a few months while his assistant had been there almost every week.

"They are building a new military airport here," my friend remonstrated with his assistant, "and you did not even mention it to me?"

The assistant had his excuse ready: "I am sorry. I did not know it was a secret."

I encountered an even better version of Israeli secrecy. I was interviewing a high military gentleman and could not accept his explanations on a certain point. I pressed him hard. In the end he lost his patience and walked to his files cabinet.

"Very well," he said angrily, "This is top-secret. But I am going to show it to you."

And he did.

Even their decency is sometimes turned against them. I heard a French journalist questioning some Arabs in Gaza about Jewish atrocities during the war. Gaza -- as we shall see -- is a place of bitterness, hatred and frustration and there are few charges the local Arabs would hesitate to level against the Jews. The Frenchman asked an Arab teacher, who was only too willing to describe atrocities which had never occurred, in great and lurid detail, about cases of rape.

"What rape?" asked the Arab.

"Well. You know. Rape. The Israeli Army raping Arab women."

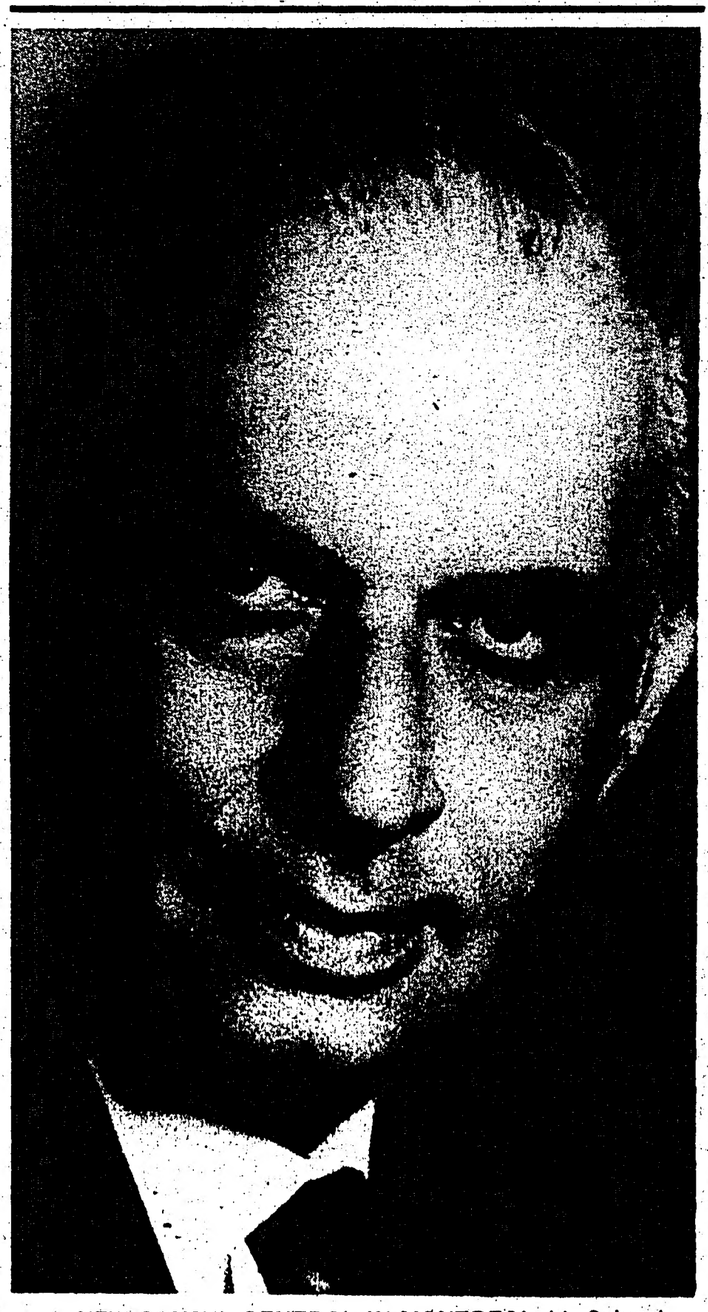
The Arab teacher shook his head and declared there had been no rape.

"What? No rape at all?"

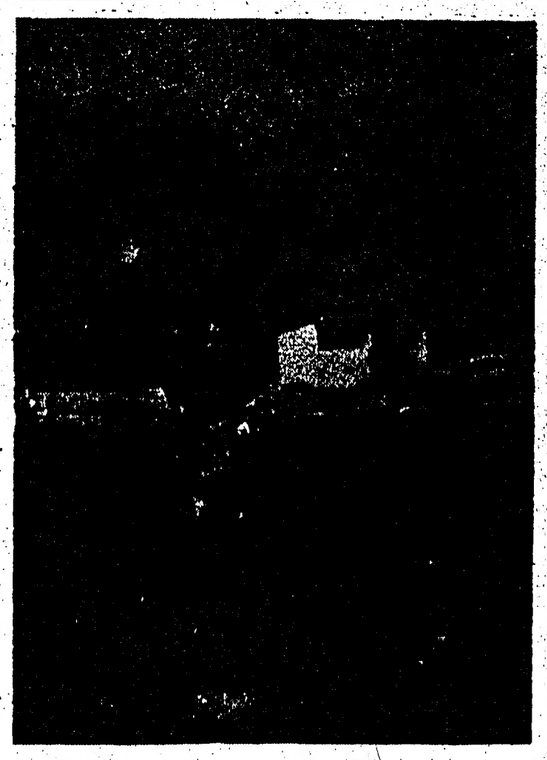
"No," replied the Arab apologetically and obviously hating the idea that he had to disappoint the friendly Frenchman. "No rape at all."

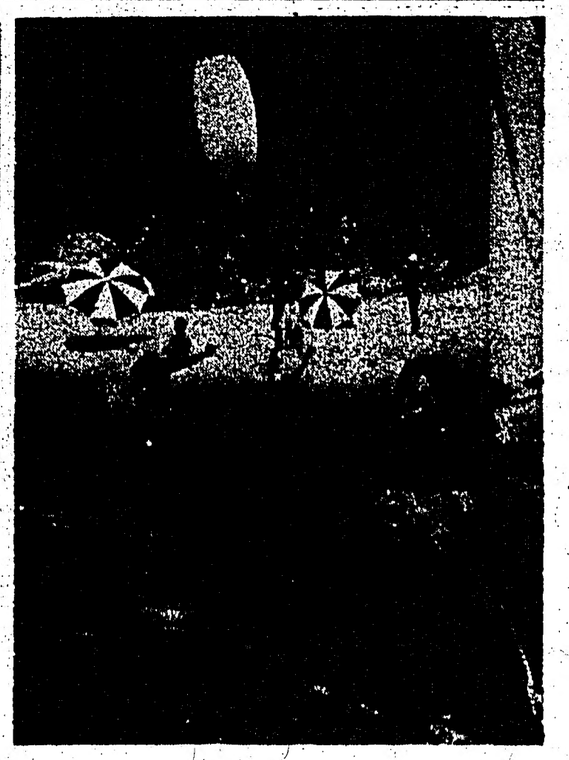
The Frenchman raised his eyes to heaven and exclaimed with contempt: "Oh, God! And they call that an army!"

An illustration by Israeli cartoonist, Jossi Stern, from "The Prophet Motive."



NEW CONSUL GENERAL IN MONTREAL.-Lt. Colonel Jacob Monbaz, newly appointed Consul General of Israel in Montreal, was born in Minsk and immigrated to Palestine in 1931. Upon completing agricultural studies at Mikveh Israel, Monbaz joined the Hagana. From 1940 to 1945 he served in a British army unit which was later incorporated into the Jewish Brigade. After the war he worked for a brief period in Europe among immigrants. On his return to Palestine he joined the permanent staff of the Hagana and until 1965 held a succession of appointments as a regular officer in the Israel Armed Forces. As such he was, from 1957 to 1962, general staff officer in charge of the mixed armistice commission with the Arab states. From 1962 until 1965 he served as counsellor for security and Middle Eastern affairs and also as a spokesman for the Permanent Israel Delegation to the United Nations. Colonel Monbaz comes to Montreal from South Africa, where he was Consul General of Israel in that country.





IN ISRAEL IT'S NOW BEACH TIME.-Left, water sports in Eilat; right, swimming in the Mediterranean.

REGIONAL MANAGER OF OLYMPIC AIRWAYS.-Alexander Nesgos, Sales & Service manager of Olympic Airways, one of the international airlines serving the Continent and Israel. Recently Olympic Airways and the Greek Tourist Ministry concluded an important agreement about cooperation in the field of tourism with the Israeli Government according to an announcement of the Israel Minister of Tourism, Mr. Moshe Kol. Mr. Nesgos is very popular with the travel agents in Montreal who deal with tourism to Israel.

The Wall. Soldiers wept, cried out with joy, or remained staring for minutes on end. Some just touched the rough-hewn stones with the tips of their fingers.

Historic picture of the day in June 1967 when Jerusalem was liberated.

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In the era of the hydrogen-bomb, and genocide, of brain-washing and LSD, of cultural revolution and environmental pollution - when scientists glibly juggle charts and graphs to predict the destruction of the human race as just another "datum," earnest and thoughtful men anxiously seek some way to rationally comprehend what is taking place.

The future is unknown. Only the past is accessible to us. Therefore we sometimes hear the argument that we must turn to the past for guidance. Living as we do, in a period of great revolutions - technological, social, political and economic - it is more important than ever, if we are to find our bearings in the stream of history, to take a detached and objective look at the past to discover whether historical experience can offer an indication for the future.

The answer to this proposal seems obvious. Our times are so radically different; the upheavals that our civilization has undergone are so drastic, that no historical parallel can be meaningful.

We seem so sure that our predicament is unique. But is it really? Certainly there cannot have been many periods like our own. Yet, the following example certainly deserves exploration.

The discovery of America had suddenly expanded medieval man's horizons no less than the journey to the moon. It was the climax to a series of revolutions, all within a relatively short span - the spread of printing and eyeglasses, the invention of firearms and the distillation of alcohol, the appearance of mechanical clocks and the harnessing of water and windpower. The 15th century witnessed all these far-reaching changes in warfare, communications, economics and culture.

And in the Jewish world, there were other cataclysms no less fateful. The Jews of Spain and Portugal were expelled and successive waves of emigration spread the straggling survivors throughout the globe, even as far as the New World. The heavy toll in lives as well as the dispersion of those who escaped threatened the very existence of the Jewish people.

That was over 400 years ago, and amazingly the four centuries that intervened since then were among the most fruitful in Jewish history. How did Jewry respond to the 15th century crisis and how did that response determine later developments? The response is best expressed in the classic code by Rabbi Yosef Karo - The Shulhan Aruch - which was completed in 1555 and published less than ten years later. So effective was this response that the Shulhan Aruch very quickly became the great unifying force that united all the far-flung Jewish communities, and it became a major stimulus for spiritual and intellectual efforts throughout the diaspora.

In an excellent collection of essays and studies (in Hebrew) entitled Rabbi Yosef Karo, some of our leading scholars investigate a multitude of questions connected with the Shulhan Aruch. They illuminate the historical background as well as textual difficulties, matters of religious and scientific outlook as well as others purely bibliographical. Edited by Dr. Isaac Raphael, the volume was published in Jerusalem in conjunction with the observances marking the quadricentennial of the Shulhan Aruch.

Like every anthology, it is uneven in quality, and as in all such cases, one might argue that this or that contribution might better have been replaced by something else. However, its total impact is very strong. It is a book on a towering giant of a man and on a life's work which has moulded history, and it really helps us to see how great was Rabbi Yosef Karo and how enduring was his accomplishment.

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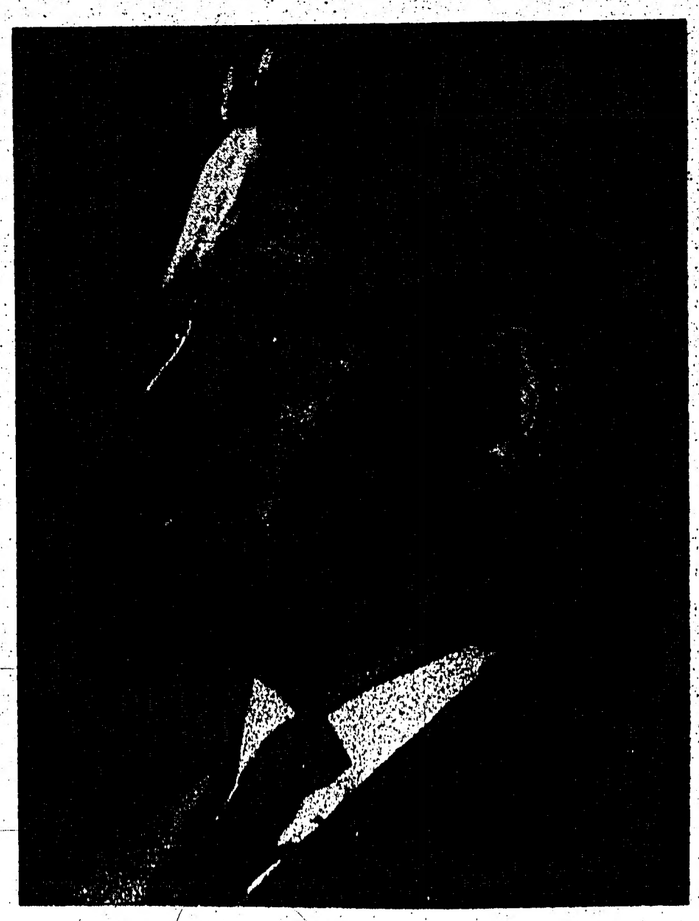

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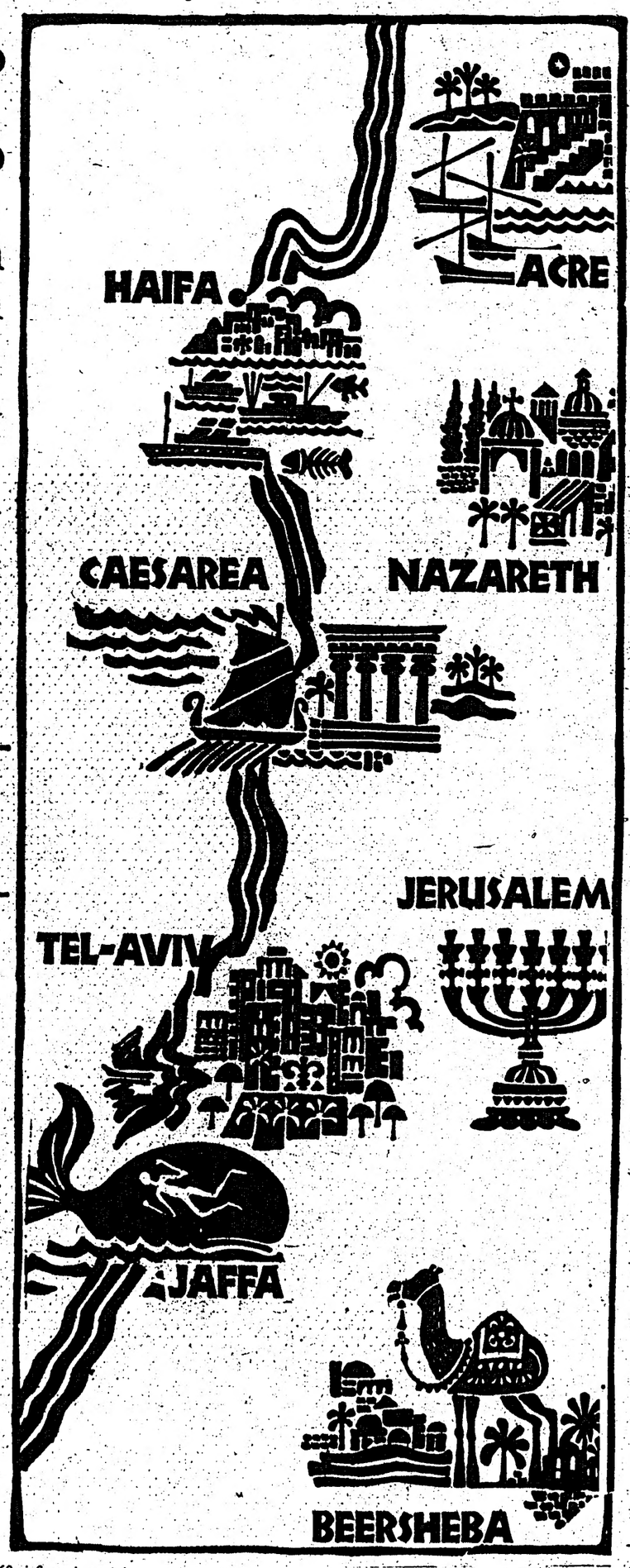

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